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January 1, 1843 – December 31, 1843
General Correspondence

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New York Nov 28. 1843

Thos W Stillwell
& Edmund Burns

By direction of Crocker
Pier & Co we annex bill of Lading for 403
Cases planchet which we trust
will arrive safely

Respectfully Yours
Arfullerton

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

January 25. 1843.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive One Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WM. SELDEN,

Treasurer of the United States.

A. McPherson Esq'r

Branch Bank of Cape Fear
Raleigh N.C. Jany 29. 1848

Dear Sir

I received last night yours of the 23rd. instant with bill of lading to further of Silver change & I am kind enough to have attended to for me; for which I beg to return you my thanks; and to say that it will afford me pleasure to reciprocate your kindness whenever occasion may offer—

The article often has made its appearance - why it is so I am at a loss to know.

With much Respect
I am Very Resp.y Your Obt Servt
D. W.m Haywood

Dr. R: M. Patterson
Director U.S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

26. January 1843.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive One Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WM. SELDEN,

Treasurer of the United States.

Isaac Roach Esqr

Mint of the United States.
Jan 25, 1843.

Sir,

On the 20th ult. you addressed to me an application for engraving fac-similes of the Certificate of Reguity of the Medals of the United States first engraved under the act of 3d March 1813. — The die by which the impressions of the medal Register of Medals was made on the original plate was the work of the late Christian Gobrecht our Engraver of the Mint. Application has been made to him by the Mr. Underwood of this city, an engraver who means to furnish such fac-similes, for the purpose, to make a new die for the medal in question, since such as he must be the most competent person to make an exact copy of his own model. So far as understanding this task I have no objection, as it will be done without interfering, in any manner, with the work of the Mint required of him at the Mint. If you do not disagree with me in this opinion, and if Mr. Underwood's proposals should meet your approbation, you may be confident that the engraving will be executed to your satisfaction.

Very respectfully
Your faithful Servant
R. M. P.

Hon. Walter Forward
Sec. of Treasury.

Treasury Department
2d Asst. office
Jan. 25. 1843

Sir

The Treasurer U. States will transmit you $75.71. the balance found due the Mint at Philad. for three dies of the head of the President—U. States for medals for Indians—for striking 200 medals—for Silver for that purpose &c. agreeably to an account dated 9 Inst. and approved by the Commissioners of Indian affairs—on receipt of which, be pleased to forward an acknowledgment to this office

With much respect
Your obd Svt
W. B. Lewis

Robert M. Patterson Esq.
director of the Mint
Philad.

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R. M. Patterson Esq. Director of the
Mint of the United States
Philadelphia

New York January 25: 1843

Dear Sir,

In reply to your favor of yesterday I beg to acknowledge the receipt of $ 13039.14 through E. C. Galindo on account of Polk Warrants of 19.— The Balance of $ 25000.— due thereon you will please deliver when ready to the undersigned for my account.— Yours most respectfully,

Augt. Belmont

Mint of the United States,
January 24, 1843.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you the enclosed communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, stating that you have been appointed, by the President of the United States, one of the Commissioners to attend the next Annual assay at the Mint.

I pray you to inform me whether, (as I sincerely hope,) it will suit your convenience to accept this appointment; and, in that event, I have respectfully to request your attendance, at the Mint, on Monday, the 13th. proximo, at half past nine in the morning.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servt.
(signed) R. M. Patterson,
Director

To / Prof. W. Richards, Esq.*
Prof. Bne. B. Peirce, Cambridge
Prof. J. Torrey — New York.

* Gen. Rob. Patterson, Phila.,
Mr. Richards having declined

Mint of the United States
January 24th 1843.

Gentlemen,

The amount of your deposite, which you wished to be made into small coins, amounting to $114,980.00 is now ready for delivery.

Very respectfully
Your faithful Servant
R. M. Patterson
D.

Messrs. Howland & Aspinwall
New York

Albert Gallatin
Jan 24/43.

Dear Sir,

In compliance with your request
we have paid to the Cashier $13,039.14
on account of your deposite of gold made
on the 19th inst. The balance $25,000,—
will be ready for delivery in the course of
the week.

R. M. D.

To
Hon. Alex. Belmont Esq
&c. &c. &c.

Mint of the United States.
Jan. 24, 1843.

Dear Sir,

Your box containing specimens supposed to be a metallic ore has been at last received, and I am sorry to say that the mineral proves to be nothing more than an ordinary sand-stone, ~~stone~~ or rock, as usual, with an oxide of iron. It certainly contains neither gold, nor silver, nor copper. ~~If the Silver Hills, whence you embarked, can find their materials~~

P. M. P.

To
Alex. Parker Huff
Winchester, Va.

Trenton Jan 23. 1813.

Rec'd Pattison Esq.
Treasr.

Dear Sir

Annexed we hand bill of Blanchets forwarded to newspaper for publ. forwarded to you thereby Cancel Bill Amount $3.691.52

In most of our invoices, a deduction is made for short weights - sometimes we collect this deduction & make an actual deficiency in weight, & the Penalty ~~weight~~ of 100 pounds to comply with the requisite number -

We note by you on the 1st Inst. in reply to ours inquiring, but have not had the pleasure of hearing from you on the subject -

Yours

Respectfully

Blanchard & Moore

R. M. Patterson Esq. Director of the Mint
State Mint
Philadelphia

New York January 23. 1843

Dear Sir,

I beg leave to enclose Merchants first
for 1858 93/100 Dollars in Drafts, requesting you
to have them converted into U. S. Gold Coin,
Eagles, or any Coin of ... ver as it is finished.
If you can conveniently have this transmitted
to me at the rate it is to be paid for my account
I shall be grateful. —

Yours truly respectfully
Respectfully

Treasury Department
January 19th 1843

Dr R. M. Patterson
Director of Mint, Philada

Sir

The President has directed three commissioners, to be appointed in addition to the Judge and District Attorney of the United States for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and the Collector of the Port of Philadelphia for the purposes mentioned in the 32d Section of the act of Congress of 18th January 1837, entitled "An act supplementary to the act entitled "An act establishing a Mint and regulating the Coins of the United States;" — and I herewith transmit their letters of appointment with a request that you will cause them to be delivered and forwarded to the gentlemen appointed.

Yours &c.
N. Fowler
Secretary of the Treasury.

Mint Mch
Jan 19/43

Sir,

I have this day sent to the President my Annual report for 1842. As it may appear kept back late about this time in the month, in consequence of the inability of waiting for the partial reports from the Branch Mints.

I send herewith a copy of the report: the Statements referred to accompany that sent to the President.

R. M. P.

Hon. Walter Forward,
Sec. of Treasury.

To Wm McCulloch Esqr
Comptroller of Treas

No. Navy Yard
Phila. Jan 18. 1843

Sir.

I hasten to acknowledge the Error in the Pay Roll of Labor in July 1842 of 2,60 ℔ being that Sum less Charged to Martin Somers. than actually paid him. The Pay Roll. I had returned appears correct. I have enclosed it and request the incorrect one may be returned. and my account credited with 2.60 ℔ —

You instructions to have the Signatures on the pay Rolls placed on the same side with the Sums Charged will be complied with as well as the subject of Taxes —

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
I Noack
Treasurer

Manchester Va. January 18. 1843.

Sir

Your favour of the 16th Inst came to hand this evening and I hasten to reply.

Receipt for the Transportation on the Baltimore & Philad.a Rail Road was mislaid some days since of the box and I expect it is at the Depot in Philadelphia waiting to be sent for. It is a quarter casein box directed to the Mint Mint. Will you please send for it? I am sorry to be obliged to ask that favour of you but I would not trouble you. Much rock specimens have been found since by a little excavation (those sent were collected on the surface) and I am exceedingly anxious to have your report. Another box has been sent to the University of Virginia for information. No report from them yet.

Respectfully
Your Ob.t Servant
Rud.h Lawender

Dr. Rob.t M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
at Philadelphia

R. M. Patterson Esq. Director of the Mint
of the United States
Philadelphia

New York January 18: 1843

Dear Sir,

Referring to my respects of yesterday's date I send you these lines through my clerk Mr Leopold Seamon who will deliver you Two Boxes marked AB # 10 & 11 containing 7 Bars Gold weighing Troy Oz 5785.10.2 as per memorandum statements, with which please follow the directions contained in my said Letter.

I also hand you inclosed three Certificates for the Gold deposited previously by me:

$ 14352.93
22170.92
46764.57

Gold $83288.42 Gold

on account of Mr Leopold Seamon, the amount of which you will please hand over to said Party.

Your most respectfully
Augustus Belmont

War Department
Office Indian Affairs
January 17. 1843

Sir

Your letter of the 6th inst has been received, with the accounts which you forwarded for expenses of two hundred Cherokee Indian Medals.

The accts. have been sent to the 2d Auditor with a request to ~~examine~~ the balance due, viz 757.72 ℔ to be remitted to you. This sum with 1500 ℔ sent to you, and 50 ℔ credited by Mr Peale makes with the amount of the accounts, viz 2307.72 ℔.

The Medals have been purchased and await the disposition of the Providence leaving for Savannah.

very respectfully
Your Obdt Svt
Harry Crawford

R M Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

R. M. Patterson Esq. Director of the
United State Mint
Philadelphia

New York January 17. 1843

Dr Sir,

I beg leave to advise you that I have this moment shipped on board the Steamer Sarah Sands

7 Bars Gold as per

8150		℔ 12.410	fine
51		8.310	
52		6.992	
53		7.865	℔ 30478.5 .995/m
54		7.3115	
55		7.3737	
56		7541	14920 .997/m
		℔ 57,810.2	

which you will please receive & have coined into X Eagles (Eagles) — I enclose herewith a Draft at 10 ℔ Cents on the Cashier of the Bank of Republic amounting to Eagles 578102 for coinage.

I enclose this memorandum for your information, & beg you to charge the amount of Eagles which you may be called for delivery of Bars 7 inst. —

I am, my respectfully
Your most obedient

Copy of letter from Hon. J. Platt to the Sec. of Treas., referred by the latter to the Sec. of Treas. for answer.

Copy. "Washington Jan. 17, 1843

Sir,

Will you do me the favor to inform me from official statement of the principal towns from which are received all uncoined Metals that are coined at the Mint in Philadelphia, Pa. What portion comes from New York, Boston, Baltimore, Philadelphia, and other places, for the last five years.

I am yours truly
(Signed) J. Platt."

To/
Hon. J. C. Spencer,
Sec. of Treasury."

Endorsed: "Refered to the Director of the Mint at Philadelphia, to furnish the information, if in his possession, to enable the Department to comply with Mr. Platt's request.
T. D. Jan. 26. 1843."

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
January 16th 1843.

Sir,

Your accounts of Copper Coinage for the 3d quarter of 1842, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $4.899.98 stated to be due from you to the U. States.

Copper Coins	$ 4106.98	
Other Moneys	793.00	$ 4.899.98

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Wm Cullen Bryant
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esqr.
Treasurer of the Mint.

Navy Yard
Jan 15 1843.

Dear Sir,

The Chief Clerk informs me that the gold coins, for your deposite made on the 4th inst., will be ready for delivery on Thursday next. —

P. M. P.

Jno
Aug. Belmont Esq
N. Y.

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
January 18th 1803.

Sir.

Your accounts of Ordinary Expenses, for the 3d. quarter of 1802, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 10,350.19 stated to be due from you to the U. States.

Balance per your accounts $ 10.347.59
Add. Over addition of Wages of Laborers for July - The aggregate is the same in each abstract, while the pay of Martin Summers is $ 2.60 less in July than either in August or September - 2.60
$ 10.350.19

It is desirable that the signatures of the Laborers should be on the same page with and opposite to the sums they respectively receive.

The Attorney General having decided that the property of the U. States is not liable for the payment of taxes, you will be pleased in future to pay no taxes on the U. States Mill without instructions from the

Department.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Wm. M. Gwin
Comptroller

Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia.

From
Wm. M. Gwin
Comptroller of the Treasury
Washington January 16th 1843
Rec'd ... 18..

Adjustment of
Admiy a/c
Third Decade 1842

Direction as to Reception
bills of Sales and pay-
ment of Duties

New York January 16: 1843

Dear Sir

As early a period as convenient will oblige me by depositing my bullion in the Mint to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States and forwarding me a certificate of the same. I will call for the coin on Friday.

Your most obt. servt.

A. J. Downing

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director of the United States Mint
Philadelphia

(Private.)

Mint, Phila.
Jan. 14, 1843.

Sir,

I send herewith an official request for the appointment of the additional Commissioners for our approaching Annual Assay; and I take the liberty of suggesting the names of Benjamin B. Richards Esq., Prof. J. Torrey, and Prof. John F. Frazer.

The character and standing of Mr. Richards are well known to you, and I hope that his name will be acceptable to the President. Dr. Torrey is Professor of Chemistry in Columbia College at present, and eminent as a man of science. Mr. Frazer is Professor of Chemistry in the Franklin Institute, and Professor of Natural Philosophy in the Central High School of this city. It is always desirable to have among the Commissioners men who can judge scientifically of the questions proposed before them, and professors Torrey and Frazer certainly possess this advantage.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
R. M. Patterson
Director

Hon. Walter Forward,
Sec. of Treasury.

Mont U. S.
Jan. 14/43

Sir,

At the Annual Assay at the Mint is to be made on the 13 th of next month, I have the honor respectfully to request that you will ask the attention of the President to the appointment of the additional Commissioners provided for in the 32d Section of the Act of Jan 18, 1837.

R. M. T.
Jr

Col
Hon. Walter Forward, Sec. of Treasury.

Phila. Jany 12th 1843

Dear Sir

Having consulted with my Brother
Mr. Patterson in the subject of your communication
of Saty authorising you to use the new Stamping
Machine (invented by me Rob Gilchrist) in the
U. S. Mint in the Coins suggested in your favour
of the 11th. That is to say. The Mint to pay
me 3 cents for every Hundred pieces coined with
it exclusive of the Labour

With Respect
Yours &
Elizabeth Eyre

Dr R. McPherson
Post. U. S. Mint

Sir

We take the liberty of submitting to your our prices for the manufacture of Blank Books — We have been engaged for many years in this business, and do warrant our work to be equal to the very best manufactured, and at prices much below those ordinarily charged — If you favor us with the custom of the U. S. Mint it will be our endeavor to give every satisfaction —

Very Respectfully
Your Obt
Griffith & Simon
188 North 3rd St

Cap Paper	Ruled Ends	75 ¢ per Quire	
Demi Do	Do	$1.—	Do.
Medium Do.	Do.	$1.50	Do.
Royal Do	Do	$2.50	Do
Super Royal Do.	Do	$3.25	Do

Ans Cap Paper

Mint of the United States,
Jan. 11th. 1843.

Gentlemen,

We received yesterday, per Brig Stella from Boston, 18 Kegs of Cent planchets, without bill of lading, or announcement of any kind, and without instructions as to the payment to be made. Will you be good enough to supply these omissions.

Yours &c — &c

To
Allen, Crocker, Brm. & Co
Salem in Mass.

Mint of the United States,
January 11, 1843.

Dear Madam,

You are probably aware that I gave my approbation to a change, at the New Orleans Mint, for the use of the counting machine invented by your late husband. The rate which I recommended, and which has probably been adopted, was 3 cents for every 1000 pieces, — exclusive of the labor.

I am now desirous to introduce the employment of this counting machine here, at the same rate of payment for its use, and I write for the purpose of knowing whether this design has your approbation. I know that the property in the machine rests in you Son William, but the delay necessary to obtain his consent would be an amount of some importance to your family; I will therefore not hesitate to act upon your written approbation, especially if it be given with the concurrence

of Mr. Baldwin. I presume that you do
will not hesitate to allow you to receive the proceeds.
I have, on full consideration of
the matter, felt unwilling to apply to the
present Congress, for an appropriation to pur-
chase the whole right to the use of the
Counting machine for the Mint. The plan
now proposed is within my own powers. If
found advantageous, it may probably lead to
a purchase in full, at the next session of Congress.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Taylor.

Mint of the United States.
Jan. 10, 1843

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 7th inst. was not received this morning. Accordingly the difficulty which I am pressed to say which originates from your using an approximate instead of a true value of the standard unit of gold.

1 th the eagle weighs 258 grains, or 10¾ dwts., which is 4 eagles or $40 worth of standard gold and 43 dwts. To ascertain weights in standard gold into Troy or fine dwts. in dollars, of any weight of standard gold grains or dwts., you must multiply the given weight by 40 and divide the product by 43. By this rule you will find the value of 1 dwt of standard gold to be $\frac{40}{43} = .93023255$ which is of .93 the value which you stated in your calculation. The difference in the value which you have presented (.93) is in large amounts of gold, too different to be neglected.

Even my respectfully
Faithfully Yours
R. M. P.

Wm. Prime, Paid & Reg.
New York.

Mint of the United States.
Jan 11, 1843.

Dear Sir,

It has become proper to account for the delay in sending on your bill of Exchange, by stating that it has been suspended by the interruption of the navigation of the Delaware by ice. There are two vessels for Wilmington N.C. and the bills will be sent by the first that sails.

R. M. P.
J. C.

Col
W. W. Stone, Esq.
Cash. Br. Bk. of Cape Fear,
Raleigh N.C.

Memorandum of the actual Cost of 3 dies
made for the Department of the Interior
per agreement.

For forging dies	℔	31.89
Steel cutting		20.00
Contingent expenses, journey to Washington		05.00
Mr Gobrecht's fee for attending & lettering		375.00
Freight and portage, steamer,		2.50
Pedrettis Workmen.		60.50
Workmens fees		15.00
		539.39

Charge for 3 dies complete	℔ 800.00
	539.39
Profit per Contract	260.61
Do " " Mr Gobrecht	375.00
Total profit	635 61
Actual expenses	164.39

Mint U.S. Jan 10/43.

Sir,

The Chief Coiner has completed and forwarded the ~~whole~~ series of Indian Medals ordered by the Department, having the head of President Tyler. We think they are fully equal, if not superior, to any hitherto executed at the Mint; and we hope, therefore, that they have not failed to meet the expectation of the President and yourself.

I send inclosed a memorandum of the cost of this series of medals, amounting in all to $2301.71, including $60 already paid to Alexr. Pettrick by the Department. I have received a remittance on this account, of $1500. I am now, ~~this~~ thereby, to beg that you will draw your warrant, in my favor, for seven hundred & fifty one dollars and 71 cents, ($751.71) the balance remaining necessary to settle the account, and on the receipt of this sum, the bills shall be paid, and the vouchers sent to the Department.

Very respectfully
Your faithful Servant
R. M. P.

To
Hon. J. C. Spencer,
Secretary of War.

Mint U. S.
Jan. 9, 1843.

Dear Sir,

I am desirous to show that the bill now before the Senate, relative to foreign coins, should meet with your marked opposition, on grounds the farthest possible from the intention of one at least of those who framed it for passage. The acts which have drawn the calculation of gold relatively to silver, and have made their proportion as 15 to 1, have my hearty approbation, and those that are attempted to be introduced will be made with them, will be made. The market prices of the two metals prove that the relative value attached to them in our coins has been happily chosen. Some coins rise and some fall, but the fall is a safe defence of the views of those who raised the valuation of gold, since it has not frequently ~~in fact, that they have generally risen~~ hence the small fractions ~~are the debased~~ that the premium has been most frequently in the favor, principle

Now the bill in question has for its object nothing more than to prevent the gold in foreign coins from having conferred upon it a higher legal value than the gold in our own, on this principle doing injustice to the purchaser who confides in the law, and preventing it from coming at our mints, and keeping it from circulation. — The British sovereign is remarkably uniform in this respect, and they are never

up to 22 carats, so that they are rendered by their respective hypothesis of the act of 1834. — The French gold coins are also found to be of 899 instead of 900 thousandths, as allowed in the same act. The Brazilian & Portuguese gold coins are little more valuable, and as to those of Spanish America they are to be regulated in this standard that it would be unsafe and unjust for us to establish any legislation upon it. On full information upon this subject, allow me to refer you to the Manual of Gold & Silver Coins, lately published by the authority of this office.

The only legal provision at present in force as to foreign silver coins, are the 2d sect. of the act of Feb. 9, 1793, and the act of June 25, 1834. — The first of these makes the Spanish Milled dollars and its parts legal tenders at their nominal values. The second includes the dollars of Mexico, Peru, Chile, and Central America, and the French five-franc piece. — Allow me to present some remarks upon these laws.

What was formerly called the Spanish Milled dollar was almost exclusively a coinage of Spanish America. It is now known as the pillar-dollar, having lost its former designation, because all dollars are now milled, or have their edges raised and inscribed upon them. Since the independence of the Spanish American States, this coinage has ceased. — The dollars of Chile and Central America are rarely met with. The coinage of Chile from 1830 to 1835 inclusive averaged but $39,000, and the coinage in Central America is also very limited. It is not without difficulty that an American dollar can be found for assay. — Dollars are no longer coined at Bogotá. The last date of such a dollar that can be hunted out with is 1836. You know, indeed, that the whole coinage of Brazil is almost inadequately supplied.

The Spanish American coins now found in the United States may be considered as practically the old pillar dollars, the dollars of Mexico, Peru and Bolivia, and the parts of these coins. — These parts of a dollar, (halves, quarters, eighths, and sixteenths) are legal tender, which, it is admitted as a legal currency by the act of 1793, were to be received at their nominal value in payment of all debts, public and private. The only small foreign coins now a legal tender in the United States are those of Mexico, Peru and Bolivia, recently coined at Lima and Potosi, and bearing the respectively 18 carats fine.

Without further explanations, I am sure you will see the propriety of my saying that, in carrying a change in the law of 1834 as to foreign gold coins, I had no intention of drawing them out of the country. My object on the other hand, is to keep them in the country, by making them a legal tender. I am not aware that any objection can be made to an act which discourages their exportation, and encourages them a place and an equation value in our currency. Of the foreign silver coins there is practically no circulation, except the exclusive from legal circulation of the fractions of the Spanish milled dollar.

R. M. P.

Hon. Th. H. Benton
U. S. Senate

Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
January 7th 1823

Sir

Your Outlay, Ordinary Expense, & Coinage Accounts for the 4th Quarter 1822 are received

To Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer &c

With due respect
Your Obt Servant
Tully McCrea
1st Auditor

Mint U.S.A.
Jan. 7/43.

Dear Sir,

I send enclosed memorandum of the assays of your deposits made in the Mint during the month of December. In my estimate I told you that we always frequently fall a thousandth below the number in the Trial bar of gold. I am sorry to say that the average of your deposits is 1/4 thousandths. The most defective ~~gratuitous~~ difference is in the three which I have marked in the memorandum of the largest parcels. The Trial assays reading three 987, 988 & 995, and our assays 984, 985, & 993 respectively. All these assays were carefully repeated, and with the same result. We have never before known, found a variation from the Trial assays of more than 2 Mls. The assays made on these bars were I.A.B. For your information I have marked the Trial assays in the memorandum, in red ink. The most defective are the 4th, 5th & 6th of the largest parcels of the largest kind, which parcels, I think, the fair examples of a variation from the Trial assays of more than 2 Mls. The assays were carefully repeated and with the same results.

Your bullion will be coined into half eagles as you desire, and I will let you know when they are ready for delivery.

Respectfully,
P.M.

August Belmont, Esq.
New York.

Mint U.S.
Jan 7/43.

Dear Sir,

I am to thank you for your letter of the 5th inst.

I could appreciate the Bankers opposition to the Bill relating to foreign coins, if it proposed any alteration in our own standard, or any change in the relative value of gold and silver; but you have truly remarked that its only object is to make the legal valuation of foreign coins correspond with that of our own, which the act of 1834 does not do. My explanation to the cause of your letter to you, of the 25th of Feb. last presents a justification of the proposed change which I think Mr. Benton himself could not resist.

Childs &c, to whom you refer in your letter, are not brokers, but the editors of a paper. I have read their remarks. Some of them are very just, but others are founded in an entire misapprehension of the object and effect of the bill. When it speaks of a new debased standard, when the change in the standard is thought of. It says the bill banishes utterly all but French & British gold. If this means that it prevents their importation, it is unfounded, because gold always will command its full value, at least at the Mints. If it means that they will not be used here as a circulating medium, it is true. They never ought to be, — they are not now, — and they never were.

"Again, the article in question says, that the bill excludes foreign silver, for it admits only dollars & five-franc pieces, diminishing the value of the Spanish dollar." (The last assertion you know to be unfounded. But what silver, that is circulated among us, is excluded by the bill? Only the pistareens of the Spanish-American dollar, and it would be a fraud upon the public to make them current at their nominal value; and besides they interfere with the general use of our federal currency.—

The writer in one of his paragraphs acknowledges that the English & French gold coins are fully below their legal standard, and says there "good nature, then, for equalizing according to fineness." Does he seriously think that the object of the bill, and the circumstance which makes the bill necessary.

P. M. P.
Dec

Hon. Wm. Wm. Evans,
U. S. Senate.

Copy

New York 7th Jany 1843

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint, Phila

Dear Sir

Since addressing you yesterday we have examined the statement of returns for the 5 Gold Bars recently transmitted by you and find on computing the yield, as given by your figures, at 90 cts per dwt of $\frac{900}{1000}$ that you have overpaid us about $1 = per Ingot say in all $4.90 as per memorandum at foot.

As we imagine that to be owing to some circumstance unknown to us in your mode of estimating We shall feel obliged by an explanation at your convenience.

Pray excuse the trouble, and believe us
always Yours Respectfully
Ormsby & Brown

Differ in our favor upon the 1st Ingot	—	.97
" " " " 2d "	—	.81
" " " " 3d "	—	.77
" " " " 4 "	—	1.04
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Mint of the U.S.

Jan. 6. 1848.

Gentlemen,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday. Your deposite made on the 17th Inst., of nearly 5000 oz. of Silver bars all absolutely pure, is without precedent at the Mint. Your last deposite, which averages about 1/2 per cent. below purity, is more in accordance with our general experience.

Our Clerk of the Weigh-room thinks he recollects distinctly that the request of your agent was that the whole amount should be delivered in Coin; but your real wish is made known to us in good time, it shall be attended to.

R. M. P.
D.

Messrs Howland & Aspinwall,
New York.

New York 6th Jany 1893

R. M. Patterson Esq
Treasurer of the Mint, Phila

Dear Sir

Please accept our thanks for your favor of yesterday enclosing a receipt of the Mint Manufacturing Co, for $19.482.10 (Nos 41.37) - in American Gold - which came to hand this afternoon.

For your prompt attention to this matter we are truly grateful, remaining always yours very Respectfully

P. Meeds & Bro

New York January 5th 1843

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

We have received with thanks respt of proceeds of our Draft, inclosed in your favor of 2d Inst., and are regret to find the results will not compare with the last Draft

There appears to be some mistake with regard to Coin - our Clerk thinks he desired you to furnish us with $10000 in Dimes and the Balance in Half Dimes, at least this was his intention, and order from us, we trust it is not too late to rectify the mistake, for in this shape we have handed the amount over to the Bank of the State of New York. to whom please account.

The annexed Circular will show a change in one Coin to which we crave your reference

Resp[t]fully Obt Servants
Howland & Aspinwall

New-York, 31st December, 1842.

We beg leave to announce the dissolution, by its limitation, of the Partnership hitherto existing under the firm of HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, the dependencies of which will be liquidated by a new house under the same firm.

As required by the laws of this State, we further announce that GARDINER G. HOWLAND and SAMUEL S. HOWLAND, contribute as special partners, in equal shares, Three Hundred Thousand Dollars in money, for their proportion of the capital of the new house; the general partners of which are WILLIAM H. ASPINWALL, WILLIAM EDGAR HOWLAND and JOHN LL. ASPINWALL: we solicit your attention to their signatures, and also to that hitherto used by SAMUEL BYERLEY, who this day retires from the house.

We are, respectfully,

Your obedient Servants,

Howland & Aspinwall

SAMUEL BYERLEY.....ceases to sign

Howland & Aspinwall

W. H. ASPINWALL.....continues to sign

Howland & Aspinwall

W. E. HOWLAND.....continues to sign

Howland & Aspinwall

JOHN LL. ASPINWALL.....will sign

Howland & Aspinwall

Mint U. S.

Jan. 5, 1843

Gentlemen,

In conformity with the request made in your letter of the 2d, (rec'd this morning) the amt. of your deposite of gold, made on the 2d, is sent to the Office of the Union Trans. Line, and will leave here, via Philadelphia, tomorrow Morning at 7 o'c. The amount sent is $19,482.10 cts, $1.17 the charge for box, bags, & postage.

Respectfully

R. M. Patterson

Dr.

Messrs. Prime Ward & King,
New York.

G. F. Nesbitt, Stationer and Printer, cor. Wall and Water sts.



UNION TRANSPORTATION LINE,
BETWEEN PHILADELPHIA AND NEW-YORK.
VIA RAIL ROAD ACROSS NEW-JERSEY.

New-Brunswick Canal and Steam-boat Transportation Company, Proprietors.

For the conveyance of Merchandize, Specie, Baggage, &c. &c. and Insurance effected whenever required, on any Package, to its full amount of value.

Office in Philadelphia, South Wharves, immediately below Chesnut Street, W. S. Perrin, Agent.
" New-York, on Pier No. 2, North River, A. Ducker, Agent.

Marks and Numbers.

Prime Ward & King
N York

Sub Treas Depos
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$200 Philadelphia, Jan 5 1843

Received *from* W S Mint

One Box Specie

Marked and numbered as per margin, which we promise to forward (dangers of fire, water breakage and leakage excepted; and not holding ourselves responsible, if lost, stolen, or damaged, beyond the value of Two Hundred Dollars per package; unless insured by mutual agreement,) to

Prime Ward & King

in New-York, upon presenting this receipt at our office, on Pier No. 2 North River, and paying freight therefor. $ 1/4 Per 1000.

For the Proprietors.

Sw Wilkins

R. M Patterson Esq. Chief Clerk Mint
Mint
Philadelphia

Chief Clerk's Office Jany 5. 1840

Dear Sir,

I have received the Watch from Mr. Bellin
dated & you & am expecting from you the Casso
the Key & must confess myself somewhat surprised
You will please send me the gold into four
Dollar Pieces & I will return, when I can accomp
for them. —

Yours most respectfully
Respectfully

Mail Boat

Phil.a Jan. 5, 1843.

Dear Sir,

You silver plate will be received at the Mint as a deposite, and the full value returned to you in coin. It will probably average from $1.13 to 1.15 per ounce, if of American manufacture: if English or French it will be of higher value. You last note of Saturday is rec.d, & answered by Hamden's Express.

R. M. P.

To

Wm. Gadsby, Esq.
Washington

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, January 4th 1843.

Sir,

I herewith forward you the quarterly account of the operations of the Mint for the quarter ending the 31st day of December 1842, which I hope you will find to be correct.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.
(Signed) Isaac Roach
Treasurer.

To Tully R. Wise Esq.
1st Auditor of the Treasury
Washington.

Mint of the United States.
Jan. 4, 1824.

Gentlemen,

I send enclosed a Memorandum of the proceeds of your deposits made on the 2d inst. The result is a little less than we anticipated, in consequence of a greater variation from the reported fineness.

We are now casting your gold into half-eagle ingots, that you may have the chisel presented by you in May last after the 2d.

R. M. P.

Messrs. Prime Ward & King,
Bankers.

Mint of the United States
Treasurer's Office
January 3rd 1843.

Sir,

I forward you herewith, the quarterly accounts of the Ordinary receipts and expenditures of the Mint, for the fourth Quarter of the last year, which I hope you will find to be correct.

Very respectfully,

Your Most obed. Servt.
J Roach
Treasurer

To
Wally R. Wise Esqr
Fifth Auditor of the Treasury.

Forwarded to R. M. Patterson Esqre Director of the Mnited States Mint at Philadelphia. —

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K^o 71. 2242. in 7 Gold Bars.

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K^o 33. 686. . in 5. Gold Bars.

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New York January 3^d. 1843.

R. M. Patterson Esq. Director of the U. States

Philadelphia

(Mr. Clark Summary 3: 1840

Dear Sir.

I have received from Lieut. Gatlin
the enclosed weights of a certain amount of Gold
Coin for which I am obliged to you.
By the Baltimore, which will leave
here next week I shall send a charge of
All. Exp. Eagles & Half Eagles
7 Gold bars weighing Troy 71.224.2
5 " 33.686
2 " 21.749

several statements, for which please send me
the official certificates of good value and
oblige me. I have received from the
Treasurer, which I am ready for coinage

Yours, very respectfully
Augustus Smith

R. M. Patterson Esqre Director

New York 3 Jan. 1843.

Dear Sir.

We have to thank you for your favor of yesterday, covering a Sight Receipt for 948 98/100 ounces, Troy, of Gold Bullion, which we beg to return herein endorsed, with request that you will be pleased to send us the proceeds in Eagles by the Union Transportation Line, enclosing their Receipt to us.

We remain,

Dear Sir,

Yours very respectfully

Pomeroy & King

Washington Jany 3. 1843

Dr Sir Having about 2000 ℔ of silver plate which I have no use for, and money being in very scarce, I take the liberty of writing you, and request as a particular favor that you will let me know at your earliest convenience what I can get for it at the Mint, & if there is any better way of disposing of it. You would oblige me very much by an early ans

Yours very respectfully

Wm Gwathmey

To Docr Patterson

Director of the Mint

Philadelphia

R. M. Patterson Esq. Director of the Mint
Mint of the U.S. Philadelphia

Office Dft. Sunday 3. 1843

Sir,

I have the honor to forward by Wells Express
Company the charge of
NB No 4 — 1 Box cont. Ft. 33.686.5 Gold Bars.
6 — 1 " " 21.749.2 "
8 — 1 " " 71.249.2 "
as ordered and to go by Express, and
will not fail please to the direction of my letter
of yesterday. —

Yours respectfully
A. Dallas

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Mint U. S.
Jan. 2. 1843.

Gentlemen,

I send you enclosed, a memorandum of the proceeds of your deposite of Silver made on the 29th ult. As you wish the whole amount coined into dimes, the Chief coiner tells me that you may probably be subjected to a delay of two weeks before they can be ready for you.

R. M. P.
dl.

Messrs. Sturland & Desmond
Merchants.

Mint of the United States,
Jan. 2, 1843.

Gentlemen,

I send enclosed a Mint receipt for your deposite of gold made this day.

In your letter of the 30th, you request that the proceeds be returned to you in half-eagles. If this be done, you must submit to some delay, as we have not a supply of these coins at present. In eagles, you can be paid without delay. Let me know what course you will take. In half-eagles you would have to wait about a week.

Respectfully
Your obt. servt.
R. M. Patterson
Director

Dr/
Messrs. Prime, Ward, & King.
Bankers.
New York.

Treasury Department
Jan. 31. 1843.

Sir

Yours of the 19th inst enclosing a copy of your report to the President of the operations of the Mint during the year 1842, was duly received.

The communication to the President either did not reach him or if it did has been mislaid.

Will you be good enough to forward as early as may be a copy of the Statements which accompanied the report.

I am very respectfully
Your obt. Servt
Walter Forward
Sec. of the Treasury

Dr. R.M. Patterson
Director of the Mint

P.S. In compliance with your request I transmit herewith a copy of that part of the appropriation bills relating to the Mint & branches.

Senate Chamber
31st Jan'y '43

Sir,

In conversing with the Chairman of the Committee of Finance, the Hon Mr Evans, he has suggested the propriety of forwarding the accompanying communication to you, with a request that you will have the goodness to state your opinion of the propriety of adopting the suggestion which it contains - and looking to the adv=anced state of the session, will you allow me to ask that this may be done at your earliest convenience?

I have the honor to be
very Respectfully Yr Obt Sv
Mr Mayphorson & Perrin

To
R M Patterson Esq

Phila^{a} Jany 31. 1843

My dear Sir,

I expect to be absent from the city on or about the date mentioned in the note you did me the honor to enclose me. I fear therefore I shall not be able to attend at the Mint.

Will you please say therefore that my previous engagement requiring my absence from the city will prevent my accepting the honor conferred on me.

Very respectfully Yours

B. H. Richards

To

Dr. R. M. Patterson

Director of the Mint

of U. S. —

Mint U. S. Feb 27/43.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th inst.

I regret exceedingly that the superfluous clause has been left out of the bill regulating the currency of foreign gold and silver coins. Our foreign currency is, ~~by this mistake~~ in consequence, left in confusion. The Eagles, ~~of the~~ quarters, eighths, & sixteenths of the Spanish American dollar ~~appears to have~~ are still legalized by act of Congress, although some of them are base, and nearly all of them are under weight. The gold coins of Portugal and Brazil are rated, by law, at 94.8 cents per dwt., although some bars that the English coins now rated at 94.6; and the gold coins of Spain, Mexico and Colombia, though to unequal as to be incapable of valuation, ~~remain rated by~~ law remain with a factitious value given to them by the act of 1834. —

I have some remarks to make on ~~the~~ the Senate Bill 134, which I hope may not occupy too much for its correction, before it

becomes a law.

The bill speaks of the Manufacture of Hamburg and the Hanse towns. Hamburg is the only Hanse town at which this money of account is stated. In the bill it is valued at 35 cents, the estimate which I presented to you three years ago. Our more recent information gives the value exactly 35 cents, and even this is protested against by the German traders, as too high.

One of the Hanse towns — Bremen — is an important trading port, with the United States, and of trade between Germany. Its value of 72 grotes, is worth 71 cents. Ought it not to be included in the bill?

The bill speaks of the Siccca rupee of Bengal. This, I believe, is no longer a money of account. There is now but one admitted rupee of British India, and its value is 44 cents 4 mills which is of course that of Bombay and Madras. Would it not then be better to say: — "the rupee of British India shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of forty-four and one-half cents."

We have no information sufficiently recent for an estimate of the values of Madeira and Azores. I presume that you have been correctly informed with regard to them.

I obtain the valuation given to Danish, Italian, Austrian, &c. money in the Bill.

You will find a mass of valuable information with regard to foreign coins and money of account in the Manual published by our Treasury, also. Eckfeldt & DuBois

P. M. P.

Hon. Geo. Evans.
M.C. State.

27th CONGRESS, 3d SESSION.

S. 134.

[Pub.]

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 18, 1843.

Mr. EVANS, from the Committee on Finance, reported the following bill; which was read, and passed to a second reading.

A BILL

To fix the value of certain foreign moneys of account, in computations at the customhouses.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all computations of the value of foreign moneys of account at the customhouses of the United States, the thaler of Prussia shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of sixty-eight and one half cents; the ~~mill-rei~~ of Portugal shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of one hundred and twelve cents; the marc-banco of Hamburg [~~and the Hanse towns~~] shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of thirty-five and one-half cents; the rouble of Russia shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of seventy-five ~~and one half~~ cents; the [sicee] rupee of Bengal shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of forty-seven cents and six mills, and the rupee of Bombay and Madras shall be deemed and taken to be of the value of fourty-four and one-half cents; and all former laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Sen. 64.

Feb. 25. 1861

R. M. Patterson Esq.

Sir — The Gold Bill has passed the Senate, striking out the last Section. I was obliged to consent to this, to get it by the Senate, who consented to Gold all the Substitutes. We have also passed another Bill which I send you. In the former I asked whether the value be correctly fixed. If not, we can amend in the House.

An early answer will greatly oblige,

Your most Obt Servant

Geo Evans

Dr Patterson.

My good friend.

Your Report has not yet been printed – so soon as it is I will send you a few copies –
Robin joins in love to all.

Yours
Charles
24 Mar 1843.

Mint of the United States.
Feb. 24th, 1843.

Sir,

On the 7th of February 1840, I received a letter from the Hon. Mr. Evans, ~~of the Assembly~~ House of Representatives of the U. States, of the ~~Assembly~~, making inquiry, on behalf of the Committee of Ways & Means, as to the value of the Mark Banco of Hamburg. A reply was given to him, in brief detail, but the valuation of 35½ cents, on which the action was about to be taken in Congress, is probably founded, as obtained from a statement of the U. S. Consul at Hamburg, that the price paid by the Bank for an Cologne Mark weight, (equal 3608 grains troy,) of fine Silver, was 27 3/8 marks banco.

More recent information, received since my letter to Mr. Evans, states the price of fine Silver at 27 3/4 marks banco, which makes the value of the mark banco exactly 35 cents.

The valuation claimed from the Ducat would be 37.½ cents.

The mark current, being a coin, is subject to that of equal valuation, and is worth 25 cents; but the mark banco, being a mere money of account, is out of the range of Merit operations, and its value, in terms of gold and silver, is constantly varying.

I am respectfully,
Your faithful Servant,
P. H. Fatterson.

To
C. A. Bleeck, Esq.
Acting General of Steamboats,
Philadelphia.

P.S. I find that in 1841 etc. Evans was in the House of Representatives, and was Chairman of the Committee of Ways & Means. He was in the Senate, and Chairman of the Committee of Finance. Please make the alteration in my letter.

Washington February 19. 1843

Dear Sir

I received yours of the 17th last night. A day or two since Mr Cooper called up his Bill and I at once mentioned that there were doubts about the propriety of its passage and that I had received a letter to that effect from you. He assured me that if there should be any difficulty whatever he would agree to its being stopped in the Senate - but he seemed very anxious that it should get through the House of Representatives - and as I had not again heard from you I thought it better to accept the offer of arresting it in the Senate if necessary) and withdrew any opposition, which I was of course not able exactly to explain. If I had seen your letter to Mr Bernien I should have spoken to the action on the Bill. As it is I will see Mr Cooper in the Morning and claim the benefit of his promise - and if necessary I will

also

m Perrin. I regret that I was so entirely
information at the moment the matter was
up in our house but considering your judgment
against the immediate change I shall endeavor
ent it from being made.

Yrs very faithfully

I R Ingersoll

Wm M Patterson

Mint of the United States,
Feb. 15. 1843.

Sir,

The meeting of the Commissioners for the Annual Assay at the Mint, as provided by the Act of Jan. 18. 1837, was held on the 13th inst., and I have the honor to send you herewith a copy of the Minutes of their proceedings.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful Servant,
(Signed) R. M. Patterson,
Director.

To
Hon. Walter Forward,
Sec. of Treas.

Washington February 11th 1843

Dear Sir

Previously to the receipt of your letter I had forwarded the Bills which it calls for. I know nothing of the views of Mr Cooper except as they appear on the face of the Bills. I have thought it best to wait for any information you may desire to communicate. Sometimes a change of this kind apparently not very important passes without much notice & the things may have been settled as they were before.

Very sincerely & respectfully yrs

J R Ingersoll

Wm C Patterson.

Philadelphia

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office
February 10th 1843

Sir,

Your accounts of Gold and Silver Bullion, for the 3d quarter of 1842, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $223.986.27 stated to be remaining in the hands of the

Chief Coiner,	Gold Bullion	Oz: 621.496	$ 11.562.62
Melter & Refiner,	do	474.972	8.836.98
do	Silver Bullion	Oz 21.443.3	25.184.90
Coiner	do	37.397.114	43.516.64
Treasurer	Gold Coinage		46.347.26
do	Silver Coinage		88.537.87
Dolls:			223.986.27

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Jno W Cullohy
Comptroller

Isaac Roach Esqr.
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia

Philad^a, Jan. 9. 1843.

R. M. Patterson, Director of the Mint,
for the War Department of the U. States,

To Franklin Peale, Dr.

To three dies of head of President Tyler, hardened & polished complete, as per Estimate	$ 800.00
" 828.86 oz. fine silver @ $1.30 per oz.	1,077.51
" Striking & ringing 60 large sized Medals, @ $2.37	142.20
" Striking & ringing 100 of second size do. @ $1.37	137.00
" Striking & ringing 100 of third size do. @ 1.37	137.00
" Cases and packing, some interior	4.00
" Freight paid to Washington,	4.00
	$ 2,301.71
Cr. By amount paid by Department to Mr. Pettrich, for his Model,	50.00
	$ 2,251.71

Feb. 8, 1843, Received of Dr. R. M. Patterson, Director of the Mint, Twenty two hundred ~~and~~ fifty one 71/100 Dollars, in full for the above account.

(Duplicate.)

Franklin Peale

Mais do Sales
Pinto Leite
Mercadinho & Cia ambos
Mercado, moeda forte ouro Cam-
pinas 6 pc. Cruzeiros
de Barbacena Mais
3 Mais pão Padaria Mineira
de Jose Agricultor 3800.00
100 pc. Bicudinhos
de pão Padaria Rato
Cruzeiros 12 pc. Arroz 397.00
30 de Banadeja pão
Padaria Cruzeiro 1845. Galinha 165.30
13 pc. Cruzeiros de pão
Padaria Rato Cruzeiro.
1842 115.31
Bl 1177.61

Procurei o Pinto de Leite
1842 & Mais Pinto Leite Fourteen
hundred reis, Mais abaixo Mercado
Mineiro Cruzeiro Mais Mercado
Mais Pão Pinto Mais Leite Mercado
Padaria Cruzeiro Mais Padaria Pinto
Padaria Mercado.
Bl 1400 reis Cruzeiro Pinto

Dr. The Treasr. of the U.S. for the Dept. of War, in acct. with R. M. Patterson, Director U.S. Mint, Cr.

1843.				1842			
Feb.	8	To amount paid Franklin Peale, for executing 3 dies, with head of Pres. Tyler, & furnishing 260 Indian Medals, as per accompanying bill receipt,	$2,251 71	Oct.	1	By Draft No. 1745, on Warrant No. 2502, on the Phila. Bank,	$1500 00
				1843			
				Jan.	30	" Draft No. 2691, on Warrant " 2606, on the Phila. Bank,	751 71
			$2,251 71				$2,251 71

Mint of the U. States,
Phila. Feb. 8. 1843.
Signed R. M. P.
Director.

Mint U. S.
Feb. 10. 1845.

Sir,

I have the honor to send herewith the account for the Indian Medals, bearing the head of Pres. Tyler, which I had made at the Mint, at your request.

R. M. P.
D.

Hon. John C. Spencer,
Sec. of War.

We understand that the Special Commissioners appointed by the President to attend the Annual Assay to be held at the Mint at this City on Monday next, are Capt. Robert Patterson, Professor S. Torrey of Stanford, and Professor John F. Frazer. — The Commissioners, ex officio, are the Hon. Archibald Randall Judge of the U.S. District Court, Henry M. Watts Esq. District Attorney, and Thomas S. Smith Esq. Collector of the Port.

U. S. Gazette
Penn. Inquirer
Pennsylvanian
Ledger
~~Evening~~ Commercial Herald
North American. } Mr. D.

Mint of the United States,
Feb. 8, 1843.

Sir,

Under the 32d Sect. of the Mint act of Jan. 18, 1837, (of which I send you a copy,) you are delignated as one of the Commissioners, ex officio, to attend the Annual assay at the Mint. I beg leave, therefore, to ask that you will give us your attendance, for this purpose, at half past nine, on Monday morning next.

Very respectfully,
your faithful Servant,
(Sig.d) R. M. Patterson,
Director

To
Hon. Archibald Randall
Judge of the U.S. Dist. Court, for the E. Dist. of Penn.
Henry M. Watts, Esq., U.S. Dist. Attorney for Do. Do.
Thos. S. Smith, Esq., Collector of the Port of Phil.a

P.S. As your attendance will probably be required for some hours, I beg to mention that a lunch will be prepared which may perhaps serve you in place of a dinner.

Treasury Department
February 4. 1813.

Sir

Your communications of the 3d. have been received and I transmit enclosed a letter of appointment for Genl. R. Patterson as a Commissioner to carry into effect the 32d. Sect. of the Act of Law: 18. 1813 - which I will you to cause to be delivered to that Gentleman.

I am very respectfully

A Gallatin
Sec. of the Treasury.

Dr. R.M. Patterson
Phila.

Mint of the U. States
February 5. 1839

Messrs Peter Harmony & Co
New York.

Gentlemen,

More than a year ago, a small bag of Counterfeit Spanish & Mexican dollars was brought here as a deposite for coinage, on your account, by Mr. A. Berthond. As it is usual to reject such deposites as unsuitable for Mint operations, we declined receiving the one in question, and Mr Berthond left it here, ~~probably~~ merely in safe keeping, as we supposed, until you could send for it. – Very recently, the Assayer have been pursuing sundry enquiries in regard to Counterfeit coins, and having found this lot a suitable one for their purpose, it was thought best to accept the same as a deposite for coinage. Accordingly, I have to inform you, that there stands to your credit here, a deposite of Silver bullion, weighing gross $143\frac{50}{100}$ ounces, Standard weight $98\frac{70}{100}$ ounces, value $114.13 for which ~~amount~~ the coins will be paid upon your sending for them, with a proper order.

Very respectfully
your faithful servt

Director.

Post Office Department
Feb. 3, 1842.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter communicating the ~~letter~~ letter of appointment of B. W. Richards Esq., Prof. S. Tenney, and Prof. Jno. F. Frazer as Commissioners to attend the Annual Survey of the Mint, which letter was sent to the gentlemen therein named, and Messrs. Tenney and Frazer have ~~accepted~~ signified their willingness to serve. The answer of Mr. Richards was not given till yesterday, and I regret to state that he ~~has~~ declined attending from the City ~~at~~ presents his acceptance of the appointment. Permit me, then, to beg that you will ask the attention of the President to the case, and in order that the vacancy thus left in the Commission may be filled.

P. M. G.

To
Hon. Walter Forward,
Sec. of Treasury.

Washington Feb. 3, 1843.

Dear Sir,

I send herewith an official letter stating that B. W. Richards Esq. is ready to serve as an Alloy Commissioner on the 13th inst, and hoping that the vacancy may be filled by the President. I shall always be most happy to receive from any gentleman that may be selected by the President or yourself; but as it has been customary for the Director to bring names to your notice, I would respectfully suggest that of Gen. Robert Patterson.

Very respectfully
& truly yours,
W. M. Patterson.

Hon. Walter Forward.

New York. Feby. 2nd 1843.

Dear Sir.

I am really ashamed that I have allowed your kind letter (enclosing a communication from the Secretary of the Treasury) to remain so long unanswered. For several weeks past I have had more than ordinary demands on my time, so that my correspondence of late has been greatly neglected. Please receive this apology for my silence, & believe me that I accept the appointment of the President with much pleasure. I purpose leaving Princeton early in the morning of the 13th instant, & to meet the other Commissioners at the Mint as soon as the first train from Trenton arrives at Philadelphia.

A few days ago I purchased the beautiful work on Coins published under your auspices. I have greatly enjoyed it perusal. - I have some ancient Syrian & Persian, as well as some Modern Turkish Coins, lately received from a friend in the East, which I should like to show you. Several of the Turkish

Coins (such as are now current in Mesopotamia & Kurdis-
tan) are not in your new work. You shall see them
when I go to Philadelphia.

Have you Edwards' splendid work on the Napoleon
Medals? The author makes no allusion to the inven-
tions of Gobrecht & Spencer, but gives the credit to
Achille Collas alone!

Hoping to see you soon, I am
Dear Sir -
Cordially yours.
John Torrey

Dr Patterson

Phᵃ July 2 1850

Dear Sir

Our Balls is at Harrisburg I believe but is expected to return this evening or on Monday when no doubt he will reply to your note of today

Your Respectfully
Chs. B. Penrose

R. M. Patterson Esq

U. S. Mint
Feby 1. 1843

Dr Sir

I have not had the pleasure of receiving from you an answer to my communication of the 24th ult. regarding your appointment, by the President, to attend the annual assay, at the Mint on the 15th inst. I am expected to make a report of your reply to the Treasury department

Let me then beg that you will do me the favor to let me know your determination; while, at the same time, I express my sincere hope that you will be able to accept the appointment

Most respectfully
and truly yours
R. M. Patterson

Prof. J. Torrey

U. S. Mint
Feb. 1 1843

Dear Sir

May I ask the favour of an answer to my communication of the 24th ult, regarding your appointment by the President, to attend the annual assay at the Mint, as the 10th inst I am instructed to make report of your reply to the Treasury Department. I sincerely hope that it may be that you accept the appointment.

Most Respectfully
& truly yours
R. M. Patterson

To B. W. Richards Esq

Mint U.S.
Feb 11. 1843

Sir,

In compliance with your request, I send you herewith a copy of my annual report and statements, sent to the President on the 19th ult~~o~~. Our Messenger has a distinct recollection, of having placed the packet addressed to the President, in the Post Office, & put the delay caused by it's being mislaid or mis laid

R. M. P.—

Hon. Walter Forward
Sec. Treas. —

Number of deposits and Average Annually —

1838 —	193 deposits.	—	$ 141,800.
1839 —	182 "	—	113,035.
1840 —	223 "	—	121,858.
1841 —	388 "	—	161,771.
	1,036 "	—	$ 538,664.

At Charleston

1838 —	248 "	—	$ 130,600
39 —	242 "	—	126,838
40 —	239 "	—	124,726
41 —	253 "	—	132,526
			514,690

Mr Ellwood and the undersigned as fortunate to our efforts in the Search of Mints of Silver & of Gold,

Mintage for 1841, in Cents Dol.s,
on $ 710,475 gold $ 228.—
$ 577,750. Silver $ 552.—
1840, 1,207,437 = gold $ 384.
" 1,949,136 = Silver 408

Two Years — Gold — $ 1,917,912 — mintage $ 782
Silver 2,526,886 — " 960

Mar 6 Feb 28. 38 Debt 652.91 930.45 Off.
March — 23 defaults = 1233.22

Whole number of defaults in 1838 from Feb. 28. 168 = 652.91 Off. gross
Defaults from Feb. 28 — to Dec 25 = 930.45
193
182
275
594 388
1840
1841 To March 31 381
" " " Dec 31 396

April 21
May 35
June 25
July 38
Aug - 38
Sept. 46.
Oct. 40
Nov. 40.
Dec. 48
331

Mint of the United States

Treasurer's Office.

January 5th. 1843.

Standard Weight of Eagles Coins and half Eagles Coins received for Coinage from January 1. 1842. to the 31. day of December A. D. 1842. inclusive, viz.

119,459.82/100 ounces

= $208,825.97

Summary of the coinage at the Mint of the United States and its Branches from the commencement of its operations until December 31. 1842.

Commenced operations	Mints.	Whole Coinage in pieces.	Whole Coinage in value
1793.	United States Mint	255.087.181	85,273,052.16
1838.	Branch at Charlotte, N.C.	162.118	666.030.00
1838.	Branch at Dahlonega Geo	178.534	827.637.50
1838.	Branch at New Orleans	14,179,656	3,155443.00
		269.607.489	90.522.162.66

Mint of the United States
Treasurer's Office,
January 6. 1843.

The Gross Value of Gold deposited for Coinage in 1842, $ 977.94-

The Gross Value derived, viz,

United States Coins, (U.S.)	$	25, 621.
Virginia,		42, 163
North Carolina,		61, 629
South,		223
Georgia,		150, 276
Alabama,		5, 579
Tennessee,		
Mexico,		34, 167
South America,		202, 034
Europe,		394, 167
Africa,		34, 146
Brazil Mints,		725
Unknown,		27, 178 $ 977.911.

The form in which it was deposited viz,

Coin,	$	580 036.
Jewelry,		20 845
Other forms,		377 030 $ 977. 911

Coinage of 1842.

Gold —	81,507	Eagles	$815,070.—
	27,578	Half Eagles	137,890.—
	2,823	Quarter Eagles	7057.50
	111,908		960,017.50
Silver	184,618	Dollars	184,618.—
	2,012,764	Half Dollars	1,006,382.—
	88,000	Quarter Dollars	22,000.—
	1,887,500	Dimes	188,750.—
	815,000	Half Dimes	40,750.—
	4987,882		1,442,500
Copper	2,383,390	Cents	23,833.90
pieces —	7,483,180		$2,426,351.40

Mint of the United States -
Treasurer's Office
January 6. 1843 -

The Gross value of Silver deposited for Coinage in 1842, $1,567,432

The Sources whence derived viz.

Mexico, - - - - - - - - - -	$ 1,141,459
South America, - - - - - - - - - -	94,520
Europe, - - - - - - - - - -	291,782
North Carolina, - - - - - - - - - -	6,101
United States Coins deposited for Bullion -	1,312
Not ascertained, - - - - - - - - - -	32,246 $1,567,432

The forms in which it was received, viz.

Mexican Dollars - - - - - - - - - -	$ 1,085,314
Other Spanish - American Dollars, - -	26,372
European Coins, - - - - - - - - - -	292,146
Plate, - - - - - - - - - -	23,410
United States Coins (deposited for Bullion) - -	1,312
Unwrought Bullion, of all other description - -	138,906 $1,567,432

Gold.

507
518
1025
326
1,351 gold at Berlin

1822.5
1040.7
1207.4
710.5
4581 ℔ gold at Berlin

4,581 ℔ : 104 dlls :: 1,351 : 30⅞ dlls. addl cost of Gold for gold molds. for weight

104
5404
1351
4,581 | 140504 (30.7 dlls
13743
30740
#31.—

Pk. gold
4,581 ℔ : 170 :: 1,351 :
170
94570
1351
4,581 | 229670 (50 dlls. Cost for molds.
22905
620

4,581 : 138 :: 1351 :
138
10808
4053
1351
4581 | 1864438 (406 dlls. — for crucibles.
18324
3198 ~~308~~ say # ~~400~~ in Berlin dept.
122 dlls.

Postage in Coin dept.
1.918 ℔ : 782 :: 1,351 :
782
2702
10808
~~948~~
9457
1918 | 10564 82 (5-51 dlls. postage.
9590
9748
9590
1582
949 say #950 all together
~~50~~ say 50 for freight
coin
#1000 Gold

Coin 551 notes
124
673 dlls.

New York March 16 1843

Dear Sir

We wrote you in great
hurry yesterday the Messenger waiting
for the letter & forgot to suggest to
you whether Govt would not
add 2 or 3 words to their deposit in
the Mint which would facilitate
the depositers of Govt bullion and
cause to be coined a large amount
of Foreign Gold you must be aware
the Banks will not take the trouble
and private depositors like ourselves
suffer a great loss of Interest
Should your Capital be increased
we shall be able to continue to
furnish you large amounts of
Foreign Gold particularly French
which will pay us a trifling profit to
use as per us We are

Very respectfully
Your obedt Servt
Bank of Commerce

R M Patterson

New York 15th March 1843.

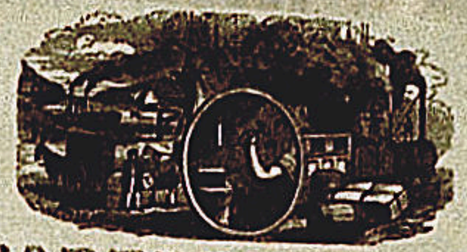
R. M. Patterson
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

Awaiting myself of your kind note I forward you by Todays express a small package containing 52 1/2 oz of Gold dust of very good quality, to have it coined in the Mint as soon as practicable. In the last remittance my friends in the South lost $ 29 - do I hope this move to be of a better quality I want to have separate bullions T.B.Q. / in one / R / in another Praying of you to excuse the trouble I give you

I remain
Dear Sir
Your Obt Sr
J. Dominguez







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For HARNDEN & CO.

W. Webb Agt

New York March 5th 1843

Dear Sir

your favor of the 14th to hand
Mr Ruby in hand & the publication will attend
to the alteration & thank you for
your politeness in this matter
. our Branch Parkhill Pulsifer
of Phias & Pulsifer Parkhill of this
City will continue to furnish
you with bullion as fast as we
can get it - Silver comes in slowly
Gold we can get with ease -
. If it would not be too much
trouble could you advise us from
whether your supply is large at
present at the Mint of Gold bullion
as we intend on a considerable
lot through Parkhill Pulsifer
if we do not have to wait too
long we are putting large
amounts of specie on Gold
for New Orleans our Banks

are all out and of the demand continues we shall require enough to regulate the exchanges between Newyork and this City - about one million has already been shipped from this City & many more will probably just exchange ab pun between the two Cities the last advices quote ex change at at 4 pr ct Dis c on Newyork for Sight drafts & 5 @ 6 for Sunday Bills We are

Very respectfully

Your Obed Servt

Prescott Ramsdale

R M Patterson Esq Jr

Mint Mint
March 13 1815.

Dear Sir,

I have received a letter this morning from Prof. Wyatt, in which, referring to the subject of your letter of the 2d inst., he asks me to cause a series of the medals of the Presidents of the United States to be forwarded to his residence in New York, which he expects to reach in about ten days. ~~Since from~~ I infer from that Prof. Wyatt is still at Washington, let me beg that you will convey to him the following item of information, since he may probably otherwise be hurrying in the dark.

Medals have been struck at the Mint of seven Presidents, beginning with Mr. Jefferson, and, of each, three medals of different size. A series of the first size will cost Prof. Wyatt $22; one of the second size $18; one of the third size $14.

The cost will be the same whether the medals be in silver or in copper; and

and if not able to the Same with the Jury to
plain, returned, or delivered to the electors
present.

~~Secretary~~ Secretary shall record, countersign,
~~he shall to the present, immediately~~
~~Then proceed~~ proceed to count the votes, &
the Satisfactorily, and if the affidavit accom-
-pany the depositions, they proceed as pre-
-scribed then under the seal, to join them
a bright and published thereof.

Law

The Chief Crime for the effect change
of the Municipal Department, as it is from
him that I got the above statement, and
at his request that I write.

I am, dear Sir,

Your truly Humble Servant

H. M. Phillips.

To

Mr Charles Young, Esq.

Mayor's Office, [illegible]

Mr. R. M. Patterson

Director of the Mint

Philadelphia

Dear Sir

I have received this morning your favour of yesterday enclosing the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council of this City, passed on the 19th inst. by which you will perceive that the Board of Assistants have concurred in the Ordinance of Councils, for the purchase of a lot of ground for the erection of a new Mint.

I remain Dear Sir, with regard
Respectfully Yours
R. T. Haines

Mint Mark

March 11th 1843.

Dear Sir,

In reply to the inquiries made in your letter of yesterday, I have to furnish the following statements.

~~The legal weight of the Eagle is 258 grains of which~~

The United States Standard, both for gold and silver, is 900 thousandths, — being the same as the Standard of France.

The weight of the Eagle is 258 grains, — of which 232.2 is pure gold, and 25.8 alloy.

The weight of the Dollar is 412.5 grains, of which 371.25 is pure silver, and 41.25 alloy.

Gold and silver, as a deduction from the above, that 43 Cts. Troy of Standard gold are worth 80 eagles, or 800 dolls.; and that 55 Cts. of Standard silver are worth 54 dollars.

The value, at the U. S. Mint, of one Ct. of pure gold — is $20.833; and that of one Ct. of pure silver $1.289. You may perhaps remark that, the 4th less than might be inferred from the above statements; but it must be recollected that the alloy introduced has also its value, and is furnished and charged for by the Mint.

It may be proper to mention that the bars of fine gold from the Eureka Refineries at Paris are not fine, and that we generally find them to fall about one thousandth short of the fineness marked upon them.

P.M.P.

To
A. S. Pond, Esq.
Stamford.

Washington D.C
9th March 1843

My dear Sir

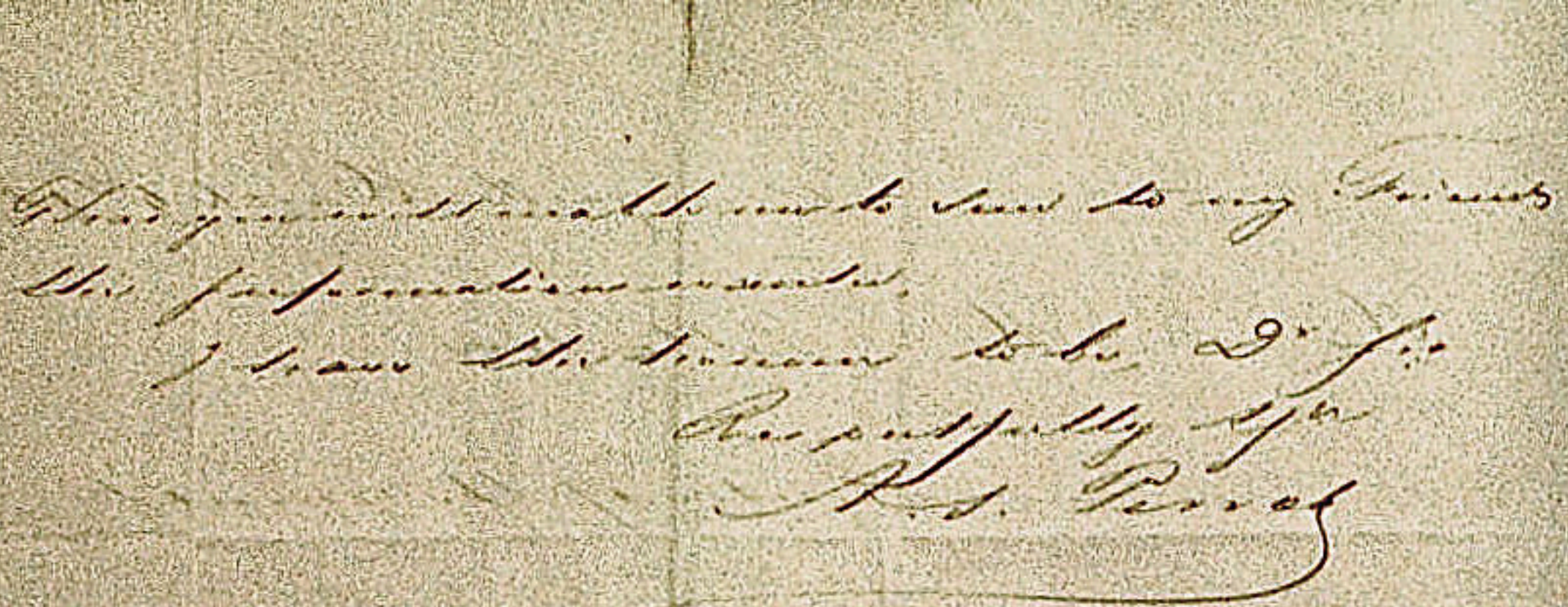
I am informed by the acting Secretary of the Treasury Mr Gourny Esq. that he has requested a Medal of the President of the U.S. in order to enable me to present a copy of each in silver to the National Institute. Will you do me the favor to forward the same to my residence 95 Chamber Street New York and your convenience I expect to be home in about ten days

I am Sir

Your very Respectfully

Thomas Ustick

To N. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint



U. S. Mint

March 7, 1843.

Dear Sir,

I send you a M. S. Copy of the law respecting which you made inquiry. The estimates of value established by it, are correct. I regret exceedingly that a repealing clause, which would have made this the only law in force with regard to the currency of foreign coins in the United States was suppressed through the influence of Mr. Benton.

Ever Very respectfully
and truly yours,
R. M. Patterson

Geo. Newbold, Esq.

Custom House March 6. 1813

Dear Sir

I understand that Congress passed
the Clause of the Act you refer to before
the Receipt of Foreign Sola Casks, and as I presume
that you have a Cask of the Sort, I shall be
Glad if you will send it to me, & forward the Cask
for which you enclose Remittance —

I am Dear Sir
Your very
Obedt Servt

Robt Patterson Esq.
Director Mint
Philad.

Mont Vd

March 4/43.

Sir.

I have not seen any notice of the almt Report for 1842 having been sent to Congress, nor has a copy of it come to my hands among the Congressional documents. I wish for one & should be much obliged to you, if you will let me know what Course you have taken with this paper. The report was sent by me on the 19th of January. On the 1st of February the Secretary of the Treasury wrote to me that the copy sent to the President, with the tables & statements, had been mislaid; and I immediately forwarded, to the Secretary, a copy of those papers. Since that time, I have heard nothing of the matter.

Inclosed, the memorial from Letter of the 2d, regarding the application of Prof. Mapped, for a set of Presidential Charts. This matter shall be attended to; but I shall have to inform him that the law provides only for a certain number, and none later than a set of twenty already purchased, and that, when bought, they will not be to distribute in this Country, and will be very dear I am sure.

P.M.P.

By Mr Clinton Young, Esq.
Acting Secretary of
the Treasury

27th CONGRESS,
3d SESSION.

S. 31.

[Pub.]

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

DECEMBER 20, 1842.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. EVANS asked and obtained leave to bring in the following bill; which was read twice, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

DECEMBER 23, 1842.

Reported without amendment.

A BILL

Regulating the currency of foreign gold and silver coins in the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, the following foreign gold coins shall pass current as money within the United States, and be receivable, by weight, for the payment of all debts and demands, at the rates following, that is to say: the gold coins of Great Britain, of not less than nine hundred and fifteen and a half thousandths in fineness, at ninety-four cents and six tenths of a cent per pennyweight; and the gold coins of France, of not less than eight hundred and ninety-nine thousandths in fineness, at ninety-two cents and nine tenths of a cent per pennyweight.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That from and after the passage of this act, the following foreign silver coins shall pass current as money within the United States, and be receivable, by tale, for the payment of all debts and demands, at the

rates following, that is to say: the Spanish pillar dollars, and the dollars of Mexico, Peru, and Bolivia, of not less than eight hundred and ninety-seven thousandths in fineness, and four hundred and fifteen grains in weight, at one hundred cents each; and the five-franc pieces of France, of not less than nine hundred thousandths in fineness, and three hundred and eighty-four grains in weight, at ninety-three cents each.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to cause assays of the coins made current by this act to be had at the mint of the United States, at least once in every year, and to make report of the result thereof to Congress.

~~SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That all acts and parts of acts heretofore passed, making foreign coins current in the United States, be, and the same are hereby, repealed.~~

Approved March 3d 1843

Treasury Department
March 2. 1843.

Sir

Professor J. Wyett will, probably, make applic-
:cation to you for impressions, in Tin, of the Presidents of
the Un. States, from the Dies in the Mint, to enable him to
present Medals in silver by the Electrotype process to the
National Institute.

If there be no objection to complying
with his request you are authorised to do so - any expense
incurred to be, of course, defrayed by Mr. Wyett.

I am respectfully &c.

Mr. Young
Actg. Sec. of the Treas.

Dr. R.M. Patterson
Director of the Mint

Dear Sir

As Counsel for Mr Field of Carolina, will you permit me to see the papers left with you — as Solicitor, notice to take Depositions & Instructions from his Counsel at Greensburgh &c —

The Answer of your deponents not drawn to, I hear;

Can you make it convenient to let me see you to morrow or any hour after 11 Oclock. I expect 10.

Very respectfully
Yours &c
Edm^d C Westmoreland
for
31. Broad
No 289 Walnut St.

Mr Patterson &
Rev. Mr.

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, March 31, 1843.

Sir,

I herewith forward you the quarterly statement ending this day as a Depository of the public money.

Very respectfully,
Your ob't Serv't
(Signed) Isaac Pugh
Treasurer.

To
Wm. Selden Esq.
Treasurer of the U. States
Washington

Mint U.S.

March 31st 47.

Sir,

You are authorized to pay the Mr. Treasurer Treasurer Draft in favor for $ 67,000 current duly to bind chest, in English gold coin, and the Treasurer returns the draft endorsed and receipted as you desire.

Beg you to accept my acknowledgements for the liberality shown by you furnishing the chest with gold bullion of which it stood in need.

R. M. C.

To/
Gen. Custis, Esq.
Cashr. Bk. of Commerce
N. Y.

Mr Wainwright's Note having been brought to my House late in the evening was returned by a note sent by his Messenger. Of this note a copy was not kept.

I stated, first, that the reasons assigned to had been left, in the afternoon, with Alderman Birch, — by myself.

Secondly, that the Objections which I made to the evidence of the Officers & Clerks being taken had been, at the same time, withdrawn; though I thought the evidence irregular & objectionable, and that the affidavit which I had offered to make was some proof, and equally satisfactory.

Lastly, I suggested that it would be better that he should call on me at the Mint, than that I should wait on him, — as my business there might prevent my going to his Office at the appointed.

P. W. P.

Mint of the United States
Director's Office, March 31. 1843.

To whom it may concern.

Mr. Jonathan W. Field, of North Carolina, who is an occasional depositor at this Mint of gold for Coinage, has to-day produced an authorization of Alderman Binns to take the deposition of Jacob R. Eckfeldt, Assayer, Edward Sprague, Weighing Clerk, and George W. Edelman, book-keeper, in relation to a certain deposite of gold made by said J. W. Field, on the 12 day of October, 1841, and which is spread upon the records of the Mint. The depositions having been written out, and sent with the authorization, I perceive that their object is to prove nothing but what is shown by the records.

Now be it known, that I do not object to those gentlemen testifying to any facts of their own knowledge and recollection, independent of the record; but I decline permitting them, or any one but myself, ~~from testifying~~ to copy~~ing~~ anything of record, and, to testify~~ing~~ under oath to the same, as such. I hold myself in readiness to testify to the records of the Mint in this case, as to the receipt of the bullion, the assay, valuation, payment, and any other incidents that may be considered necessary.

R. M. Patterson,
Director

Bank of Athens March 30. 1843

Dear Sir

We have Received from Messrs Stourbridge Lake Steamboat a Draft Receipt for three days Notice for 35,207 40/100 Ounces of Silver Bullion, the Proceeds of which are with to have in Small Silver Coin, say One half of the Amount in quarter dollars and the other half in dimes & half dimes—

Please inform us how Soon you Can furnish them by

Remain very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Jos Stubbs Cash

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director Mint
Philad

New York 30 March 1813

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

I am obliged for-
of 28th last reached us last evening, enclosing
Cert.e of our late deposite, as well as of that,
made by Prest. E. 4. 1812. Please accept our renewed
thanks for your usual Careful attention to this
Duties - Our letter of yesterday will have explain-
to you the disposition we had made of the
proceeds of our Specie, and Mess.rs Ellis Howland
will have the pleasure of addressing you with
respect to theirs

We are very Truly your Friends
& Obt. Servts
Howland & Aspinwalls

Bank of Commerce in Memphis
Mar 30. 1843.

Sir

I have rec'd your favor of 28th Inst and beg to reply that I shall send by the 9 o'clock line here tomorrow $30 000 in English Gold for the payment of the Branch dft held by you for that amount. The Gold will doubtless reach you tomorrow afternoon and I will thank you to deliver the draft to the Cashr having charge of the Specie, not endorsed in blank, but duly accepted.

I am, Sir, very respectfully
Your obt Servt
Geo Coulter Cash

A. M. Pallen Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Boston March 30th 1843

R. M. Patterson Esq

Dear Sir

I am in recpt of your favor of 25th Inst with its Enclosure — Being somewhat unacquainted with your regulations I will thank you to inform me if you will authorise any one in this City to pay me the money on surrender of the Certificate, which I should prefer, or If I am to draw for same if so at what sight, on whom, for what amt & if the draft may be made payt in Gold

Respy Your Obdt Servt

Wm W. Goddard

New York. Feb 29th 1853

R M Patterson Esq
U.S. Mint Phila

Dr Sir

I had the pleasure on the 25th inst. to and as yet without a reply.

We now beg leave to advise having disposed of the bullion deposited with us, to the Bank of America, & to request that you account to it for the proceeds.

We are very respt.
Yours
Howland & Aspinwall

Philadelphia Mint. 29th 1843.

Dr Patterson,

Dear Sir,

I hope you will pardon the liberty I have taken, to trespass upon your valuable time. My situation is the only apology I can offer to you. I have been informed that business is more brisk in the Mint at present. If you have a vacant situation. I will feel very grateful to you for giving me the preference. I can give you satisfaction & references as to character & capability to business. I have worked fourteen years for Mr Thomas Potter. I have been in the employ of Bank & Lamont. and several others of the same description in this city. I am well known to several persons in the Mint. I have been out of work all winter a sick wife & three male children depending upon me for support. The way I am placed at this present time any situation would be acceptable that I could discharge my duty. And believe me to ascertain which be unceasing in my part to give you satisfaction.

Most respectfully yours

Joseph A. Slade.

Mint of the United States.
March 28, 1843.

Gentlemen,

I send enclosed a Memorandum of the parcels of your despatch of Pkgs of silver made on the 24th inst. You will observe that they all turn out well, except the last parcel, which was made up of Lemon pigs that looked so dirty and unpromising that they were separately melted, together with great care, and the whole bars collated, but with a very considerable loss of weight in melting amounting to nearly one per cent. This per parcel is also below the others in fineness.

The parcels can be obtained by you on Saturday next Friday, in time to go to Newyork the next morning.

I. M. P.

Messrs. Howland & Aspinwall
New York.

P.S.— I also enclose a Memorandum

draw of the deposits made by collectors
E. G. & S. Morton & Co.

Mint U.S.

March 28/43.

Sir,

I regret to state that at this Treasure declines making the payment of the government transfer draft in gold, although he has amounts of $80,000 of that metal now on deposite at the Mint. Now the transfer of the treasure will not be accomplished by a payment in silver. Our U.S. deposite ~~stock~~ of gold is at present less than $55,000, and is entirely inadequate to the delicate object of enabling us to make payments to those who bring to us bullion for coinage. I am under the necessity, therefore, of taking advantage of the ~~2d~~ second offer made in your letter of yesterday, that you would transmit the requisite amount in foreign gold coin.

R. M. T.

To
Geo. Curtis, Esq.
Cashr. Bank of Commerce,
New York.

Bank of America March 27. 1843

Dear Sir

I have received your letter of the 24th Inst enclosing a Memorandum of the Amounts of one deposite of French Gold Coin on the 22d Inst and beg of you the favor to credit my Account the Amount in Gold Eagles as early as practicable, also the Amounts of two Gold deposits of the 17th Inst. —

We have made arrangements with the Messrs Peabody & Parkhill to pay the Treasury Transfer Drafts on this Bank for $50000 in your favor payable on the 1st Inst and I presume they will pay the Same tomorrow.

I remain very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Jno A Stevens Cash

Robt Patterson Esq
Director Mint
Phila

Bank of Commerce in Newfork
March 27 1843

Sir.

I have rec'd your favor of 25th Inst and beg to reply that under the same date I requested Mr Keese, Cash. of this Bk, to protest the Draft for $52.000 referred to, and also requested the Treasurer of the Mint to understand with Mr Keese concerning payment.

Will you do me the favor to advise me if returned unpaid, which I am fearfully apprehended Mr Keese to make such payment as you desired. If it is not, we will immediately transmit the requisite Account in Foreign Gold as requested.

Very respectfully yours,

Geo Curtis Cash.

Am Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Mint Mint
March 29, 1843.

Sir,

In your letter to the Trustees of the Mint, of the 24th inst., with regard to his Accounts of Ordinary Expenses for the 4th quarter of 1842, you have the following item:

"Christmas Gifts to Watchmen disallowed — $2.00"

I think it probable that your objection to this charge has originated from an impression that the Watchmen in question are those of the Mint, who, being in the receipt of wages from the U.S., ought not have cannot be allowed gratuities from the same source. But it the charge has not this objection; for the gifts were made to the City Watchmen who guard the streets adjoining the Mint. In favor of the allowance I beg to present the following reasons.

First — the Mint has no other out-door watch, and these men, for the small annual gratuity, are pledged to keep a special eye upon our premises. — On one occasion, they gave the alarm of a fire that occured in the building, and thus saved the U.S. from a most serious loss.

Secondly — The fee in question is a custom among us, and is given by all the citizens who would avoid the character of illiberality.

This fee

Lastly— Has always been paid by the Mint, Ben Att Chief Cases, the Act of Congress Expressly assures us that the custom is of fifty years standing.

Under these circumstances I hope that you will not insist upon your claim of this small item.

R. M. P.

H. W. McCulloh, Esq.
Comptroller &c. &c.

Mount Ly. 1843

Dear Sir

I by particular favor to Gentl
of Savannah, a Resolution of Congress, given in the
House of Reps to which I solicit your attention. That
I like wise a request that I would send it to
you and have the value determined, and pro-
cure the value of the same check.

Will you excuse a favour on the 4th of May
will the House and the Chair is vacant, and
I should be a subject to call on I shall be
home on the 5th.

Your most truly & respectfully

Saml Patton

Hon J. R. Poinsett

Read

New York. Feb 25th 1833

Wm Patterson Esq
U. S. Mint
Phila.

Dear Sir

We have rec'd the
rec'd for our silver bullion. I am pleased
to learn from our messenger that the
Certificate of value will probably come
by the mail of Monday. I trust it may
reach it the 2nd. mail & be at our disposal
early in the week.

Will you do me the
favor to state by return of mail in what
form it will be most convenient for you to
pay me. & on what day we shall send
for it.?

We are very truly
Your obt Servts.

Orlando Kennedy

Mint U. S.
March 25/43.

Sir,

A transfer draft on yourselves the Bank of Commerce, for $50,000, has been issued by the Treasurer of the U.S., in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, payable on the 1st of April, at the Mint.

The wants of the Mint require that this amount should be paid to us in gold, our U.S. Deposits being deficient in this metal. May I ask then that you will do us the favor to make such arrangements as will accomplish this purpose for us. Foreign coin, at the Mint value, would answer our purpose, and could soon be prepared.

P. M. P.

Dr

To/ Geo. Curtis, Esq.
Cashier Bank of Commerce,
New York.

Philadelphia March 25th/43

Gentlemen

Having appointments for more than a fortnight a head of business - will hardly suffice to meet my expenses - and not being able to defray my condition am obliged to continue in it - Yet hoping that I would take a turn for the better - I still struggled on - principally on the Credit system - and now I find myself unable to collect what is due me

I have determined therefore that if I can get hold of something that will give support to my family I will gladly and thankfully embrace it

It has occured to me Gentlemen that Vacancies may sometimes occur in our public Institutions and that it would not be deemed impropriety for a person situated as I am to respectfully solicit for an appointment - therefore I have taken upon myself to ask of You respectfully that if there be a Vacancy at present in the Mint or in it there be none at present - should there be one shortly you would be pleased to appoint me to fill such Vacancy - I shall feel thankful to You and use my every best endeavors to discharge my duty faithfully

I am Gentlemen

Very respectfully

Your Obt Servt

John J. Clark

No 105 Wood Street

2d door below Franklin

To Genl Patterson

Mr Peale

and Genl M'Clintock

Mint U S
March 25, 1843.

Sir,

I send inclosed Memorandum of the Deposites made on the 21st inst. I am sorry to observe that the amount falls far short of your expectations as stated in your letter of the 18th. Yet the Silver bars are of high standard, and the gold dust of the fair average fineness, nor is there any circumstance apparent in the case that will account for the so different returns the true value of the bullion and the price at which you are led to value it.

R. M. T.

Jas. W. Paul, Esq.
Boston.

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, March 25th. 1843.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 22d inst. enclosing two drafts, as follows:

No. 42. on the Bk of Commerce N.Y. payable 11th inst. at the Mint $ 50,000—
" 43. " " Bk. of America N.Y. " " " " " " 50,000—

which Sums, upon receipt, I will place to your credit on the Books of the Institution, as directed.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.
(Signed) Isaac Reed
Treasurer

To
Wm. Selden Esq.
Treasurer of the U.S.

Mint of the U. S.
March 24. '43.

Dear Sir,

I send enclosed a memorandum of the proceeds of your deposite of French gold coins, made on the 22 inst. In your letter of the 21st, you announce British coins, & give a weight & valuation different from those which we have found.

In a letter just received from the Secretary of the Treasury, he states that the Treasurer of the U.S. has been instructed to issue a sterling draft of $50,000, in our favor, on your Bank, payable at the Mint here, on the 1st of April. I hope it will suit you to pay us out of your gold deposite.

Very respectfully,
your faithful servant,
R. M. P.
D.

To/
Geo. Newbold,
Pres. Bk. America,
Newyork.

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
March 24th 1843.

Sir,

Your accounts of Ordinary Expenses, for the 4th quarter of 1842, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $14.888.83 stated to be due from you to the U. States.

Balance per your accounts	$ 14.885.83
Add.	
Christmas Gifts to Watchmen disallowed.	2.00
Charles B. Hare's bill for washing towels (p. 132) over charged $5 instead of $4	1.00
	$ 14.888.83

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.
Wm. Wolf
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia

Mint of the U. S.
March 23. 1843.

Dear Sir,

Through mistake, my clerk enclosed the wrong memorandum in my letter to you yesterday. We have different rates of deduction for loss in melting of old coins, and the high rate having been first taken for yours, a new memorandum was made out, which also reached you. I presume. I now write merely for the purpose of explaining this circumstance.

R. M. P.
D.

To Geo. Newbold, Esq.,
Pres. Bk. America,
New York.

N.B. Note. The correct Memorandum was sent last evening by Jacob Shiffman.

Mint U. S.
March 23 / 43.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 21st, just received, inquiries my regret at the mistake which occurred as to the weighing of the two parcels composing your deposite of the 18th inst — In further ingquiry into the matter, I find that the deposite, when made, was not known by the depositor to be gold: that Asst. Bartlett made it in his own name: that when specially asked whether the two parcels were to be kept separate he ~~said~~ answered that they were not, ~~as they were both from the same source~~ It was not till some time after, that they were recognized as the deposite mentioned in your letter.

There appears to be now but one course to be pursued. The deposite might be, no doubt known to you from the statements of your correspondent, it must be taken for granted that the values are first ascertained by these weights; and this must be my ready test as both were of gold dust in grains, one specimen, from the same source.

P. M. P.

Jn/ Jo. Dominguez, Esq.

Mint U.S.
March 22/43

Dear Sir,

I have ordered a Memorandum of the proceeds of your deposite made on the 15th., and I regret to say, that in consequence of a mistake of the weighers, your instructions relative to how the two parcels last deposited were regulated. Shall give you a letter to the Clerk of the Westerns, but as he was engaged when the Bar last brought your deposite, on of the Officers of the Mint weighed the parcels, ~~together, after~~ ~~one by the after thing~~ and ~~one to the Bar~~ unfortunately weighed them together, one after consulting with the Bar to, in whose name the deposite was made.

I am afraid your friends to the South will be again disappointed in the result of their remittance. They overrated the weight more than half an ounce; the loss of weight by melting was 6 per cent., which though not without precedent, is still excessive, as the average on such gold is 3¾ per cent. The fineness is

also low, but not below the average of last gold dust, which is found to range between $25 and $25 thousandth.

R. W. P.

Hon
Gen Dominick,
New York.

Treasury of the United States
22 March 1843

Sir

Enclosed you will receive two transfer Drafts. Viz:
N: 42 on the Bank of Commerce at New York for $ 50.000
N: 43 on the Bank of America at New York for $ 50.000
both payable at the Mint in Philadelphia, on the 1st of April 1843.
which Sums be pleased to place to the credit of my account on the
Books of your Institution.

I am respectfully
Your Obedient servant
W Selden
Treasurer U.S

The Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia

Treasury Department.
March 22. 1843.

Sir

Your communication of the 20th. has been received, and the Treasurer of the Ustates has been instructed to issue two transfer drafts of $50.000 each in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint - One on the Bank of Commerce and one on the Bank of America at N. York - and both payable at the Mint in Philad.a on the 1st. of April next - With this additions to the amount now on deposit it is hoped that you will be enabled to keep a sufficient supply of small coins to make prompt returns for the bullion left for Coinage.

The amount on deposit in the Branch Mint at N. Orleans is $ 123.238.10.

Referring to your letter of the 1st. inst I have to say that the Mint Report was not sent to Congress by the President until the last day of the Sessions - as soon as it shall be printed a copy will be sent to you.

I am very Respt.

J. C. Spencer
Sec. of the Treasury

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philad.a

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office
March 22d 1843

Sir,

Your accounts of Copper Coinage, for the 4th quarter of 1842, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 5,136,44 stated to be due from you to the U. States, consisting of

Copper Coinage	$	4,672,44
Other Moneys		464,00
	$	5,136,44

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.

Wm. W. Gilliland
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esq.r
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia.

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office
March 22d. 1843.

Sir,

Your accounts of Gold & Silver Bullion purchased for Coinage, for the 4th. quarter of 1842, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 273.346.15 stated to be due from you to the U. States, consisting of

Gold Bullion	Oz.	1,878.789	$ 34.954.23
Silver Bullion	Oz.	119,189.74	138.693.46
Gold Coinage			33.969.71
Silver Coinage			65.728.75
			$ 273.346.15

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Wm. W Cutler
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esqr.
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia

Bank of Ireland March 21. 1843

Dear Sir

We have forwarded by the Coach
of to Morrow Morning to be deposited in the
Mint for Coinage for our Acct. Check
£100.000 in British Gold Coin, and if you
can favor us with a part of the Amount,
with the proceeds of the deposite of about
£25.000 made on the 17. Inst. so as to enable
our Messenger to bring it on with him
on Thursday Morng. he will oblige us a
favor if you will direct the Amount
to be sent up in half Eagles and returned
to him accordingly —

I remain very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.

Robt Pattinson Esq.
Director Royal Mint
Dublin.

Jno Newborough Secy

Bank of America March 21 1843

Dear Sir

We forward with this under
Charge of our Porter Mr Brinckerhoff a Keg
Containing 20 Bags of British Gold Coin, weighing
Dwt 107.377 & our Acct to $99967.95 and
which we deposite at the Mint for Coinage
for Acct of this Bank — We wish the whole
Amount in Half Eagles, and will thank
you to let us have them as early as practicable
Please Send us when they will be ready
for delivery — Remain very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt

Jas Roosevelt Cash

Robt Patterson Esq
Director Mint
Philad

Amt Wt 5,369 Dy Grs

Branch Bank of Cape Fear
Raleigh N.C. March 20 1843.

Dear Sir

I am much obliged by your note just now to furnish me the sum omitted you in Decr last - received on yesterday; it had come on before - and was the night - and I am very much obliged to you for your kind attention in having the commission executed: and shall be happy to reciprocate your kindness whenever occasion may require - you will do me the favor to command my services -

& I remain -

Most Respectfully
Yr. Obliged Servt
D. L. Swain

Dr R. McPherson.
Dir. U.S. Mint
Phila Pa

P.S. You have lately lost a discount in Rowan Chatham County this State from Bank
Virginia

mines of Gold - the nearest about 40 miles
& the farthest about 80 miles South bearing
from Raleigh - which are said to be
yielding a penny weight & more per day
to the hand - often yields with the most
rude & unskilful working - if they could
have science, skill & capital applied
I have no doubt the yields would be
doubled & more than doubled from
the manner in which I hear they are
worked for I have not been at them
myself -

D. Ward

New York 21st March 1843

R. M. Patterson Esqr
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

On the 15th Inst. I forwarded you enclosing Harden's express receipt for a small package of Gold dust mkd G.D. but it appears that afterwards they sent your own name in full. As at yet have not rec'd any answer of their gold I take the liberty of troubling you again with it marking respecte Bullions & leaving out the cents as before

T.B.K. Belongs to one Jno. R to another. I also beg of you kindness to send me a duplicate of the Bullions

Thanking you for the trouble I give you

I remain
Dear Sir
Very Respy
Your Obt Servt
G. Dominguez

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

21. March 1843.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive One Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WM. SELDEN,

Treasurer of the United States.

Isaac Roach Esq.

To the Director of the U States Mint at Philadelphia

Boston March 18th 1843

Sir

By Messrs Hayden & Co I forward you a quantity of Bar Silver & Gold Dust amounting as per Invoice annexed to Dollars × 14,113.66 (Say fourteen thousand one hundred & thirteen 66/100 Dollars) which I should be pleased to have you assay & advise me as soon as practicable after the proceeds to him I will write you further relative to the disposition of the Same

Respectfully
Yr Obt Svt

Wm. H. Goddard
per S. Malcolm

× Say one fourteen thousand one hundred & six 66/100 Dollars

Invoice

No 1.	1 Bar Silver mg	279. 1. 4	by	11.12	
2	1 do do "	267. 1. 6	.	11.17	
		546. 2. 2			
	Off for by	18. 1			
		528. 1. 2	@ 10 25/100	per mark	5.413.63
No 5	1 Bar Silver mg	247. 1. 4	by	11.23	
6	1 . " .	238. 6. 0	.	11.23	
		485. 7. 4			
	Off for by	1. 5. 4			
		484. 2. 0	@ 10 18 2/100	do	4.933.43
					10.347.06
Gold Dust mg	495. Castillinos 2 tomines		at —	20 3/4 ch	1,284.50
ditto	900. do.		at	22 " 2475.	3.759.50
					$ 14.106.56

Treasury Department
18th March 1843

Sir,

I inclose to you a Copy of "An act regulating the currency of foreign gold & silver coins in the United States" and request that the assays required to be made under the third section may be completed in time to be laid before Congress at the commencement of the Session

Very Respy
Your obt Sr

J. C. Spencer
Secy Treasy

Dr R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Boston March 18 1843

Dear Sir

I have by the bearer of this a bag containing Seven Hundred & Ten Dollars in Gold & Silver in all 132,08 which I wish you to convert into Bills as soon as convenient, & take proper steps to have it or its Equivalent in Bills credited the Treasurer of Phillips Academy at this place, of this I advise you by our Agent

Respectfully Yours

Edmund Boynton

To The Treasurer of the
U S Mint
Philadelphia

Mint of the United States,
March 17. 1813.

Dear Sir,

My Annual Report for 1812, was laid before Congress very late in the Session,- I believe on the last day. Can you send me some copies of it? Our friend Johnston will take the trouble for me, and you will both have my thanks.

Ever very truly yours,
R. M. P.

Matw St. Clair Clarke, Esq.,
Clerk of Ho. Reps.

Mint U.S.

March 17, 1843.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will issue your Warrant, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for Five thousand three hundred dollars, out of the appropriations for the current half-year; viz:

For Compensation to Officers &c. $ 5000.
For Specimens of Coins 300.

$ 5300.

R. M. Patterson
Director.

To
Hon. John C. Spencer,
Secretary of the Treasury.

New York March 17th 1843

R. M. Patterson Esqr
Director of the U. S. Mint
Phila.

Sir

We herewith forward to your address by "Express Shipman" one Bag Gold Dust which we wish to have converted into Coin as usual

We shall be glad to receive the Certificate of the Value on return of the Coin - and beg to acknowledge your obligations for uniform promptness and attention to our little matters

Remain Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servts

Prime & Ward

Bank of America

New York March 16. 1833.

Sir,

I this day forward by Sarah Thompson, to be deposited in the Mint, five bags Gold Coin as follows,

$4.835	One Bag	1032	Sovt	weighing Dwt	5274. 6
4.840	One do	1030	"	"	5274. 6
4.827	One do	1033½	"	"	5274. 6
4.834.6	One do	1029	"	"	5274. 6
4.836.4	One do	1031	"	"	5274. 6
$24.83.4		5155½	Value Gold Coin $24.999.94 New Coin 24.947.20		26. 371 6

Loss — $ 52.74 = $0.0102 per Sov.

Which you will please have Coined into half Eagles — I have also to request that you will transmit as early as Convenient, the Particulars of the weight and value, & advise me when the Coin will be ready for delivery —

Very Respectfully
Your obt Servt
D. C. Thompson
Cash.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Phila

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

March 16th, 1843.

All official letters, reports, and communications to this Department, or to the head of any office thereof, will be folded and enclosed in a wrapper; and on the middle fold will be endorsed the name of the person making the same, with his official title, the place from which sent, the date, and a brief analysis of its contents, in the manner indicated by the annexed form. If more than one paper is sent, the analysis should contain the substance of all such papers, or the subject of them, and the number of papers enclosed should be stated. On the outside wrapper should be endorsed the name of the office from which the communication is sent, when transmitted by any officer of the Government.

An observance of this regulation will much promote the convenience of all the officers and clerks of the Department, and will ensure a more prompt attention to the communications thus endorsed.

The heads of the different offices of the Department are particularly requested to conform to this rule, and to enforce it on all who address communications to them.

J. C. SPENCER,

Secretary of the Treasury.

Mint Mark
May 21/43.

Sir,

Have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th, in relation to my requisition made on the 11th for $6000, being the balance of an appropriation for wages of workmen at the Mint for the last year ending 31 June next, and ask leave to inform you that portion of the above amount the public service will require for expenditure within the next thirty days.

In answer, I have to state that our book accounts are closed at the close of each month, and the bills of wages amounts, in round numbers, to $2000. I, that there will be needed for expenditure, in this account,

On the 29th of April, $2000,
On the 31st of May, 2000,
On the 30th of June, 2000.

~~If there needs to be placed in the hands of the Treasurer in time for the above pay rolls~~

P.M. M.

Hon. Geo. C. Spencer,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Mint of the United States.
May 19th, 1843.

Sir,

Your letter of the 25th ult. was submitted to me yesterday by Sup. Wyatt.

Hon. Alex. Young, while Acting Secretary of the Treasury, wrote to me (August 26) requesting that a series of medals should be given to Col. Wyatt, to be by him presented to the National Institute; and I am now informed by Stating that ~~a similar bequest for the price of those medals which was before~~ the making of medals has been considered as part of the legal duty of the Mint, but has been ~~by the Mint application~~

Hon. Chief Comm. Ellsworth has communicated the application for a set of the American Medals for the Am. National Institute, by suppressing a series for that Society which seems to be also the principle of presenting in his own names, and which will be forwarded as soon as one of the Still remains can be supplied.

At this, however, seemed to be only a secondary object with Mr. Wyatt, who is engaged in making a collection for himself. Mr. Peale took great pleasure in obliging a gentleman in whom you express an interest, by giving him also, a series of the medals in bronze.

You are glad that your attention has been turned to the circumstance that, as the series of ~~that kind~~ Presidential Medals, struck or presented for the Indian Chiefs, began with Mr. Jefferson, three of the five first Presidents are wanting. The others were all made, under special appropriations, and I presume that the same course will have to be pursued to supply these omissions. I think it very desirable, however, that medallic likenesses, fitted for the new presses of ~~machinery~~ cutting the dies now employed at the Mint, and which dispenses with the employment of an engraver, should, if possible, be prepared by Mr. Peale ~~or~~ before he leaves the country for Italy. He is, as you know, a very superior artist, and might be expected to give the likenesses free from the foreign expression of countenance which is too apt to appear in Mr. Pettrich's work. If this first step can be authorized, either by yourself or the Secretary of War, ~~to be paid~~ and the cost (which must be inconsiderable,) paid out of any contingent fund applicable for such a purpose, I shall be very glad to take it in charge to see the work properly executed.

R. M. S.

To
Wm. Jos. C. Spencer,
Sec. of the Treasury.

(Copy)

Mint of the United States,
May 15th 1843.

Sir,

I send enclosed a Mint Receipt for your deposits made on the 13th - I am not yet able to inform you when the amount can be paid, as we have a heavy demand for small coin in advance of yours -

Very respectfully,
Your [illegible]
(Signed) R. M. Patterson
Director

To,
T. W. Edmonds, Esqr
Cashr Mechanics Bank.
New York -

P.S. I also enclose a memorandum of the amount

New York May 13 1843

Dear Sir

The enclosed sheets I obtained from the Publishers for the moment with an understanding they were not to be used for republication in Phila as they intend sending a lot on board in blanks tomorrow for sale

I am very respectfully

Your Obed Servt

Saml J Burdett

Wm Lea
Esq
Phila

To the Messrs of Lippincott

Sir New York (Mechanics Bank) May 12. 1863.

You will receive, in the course of tomorrow, Ten Thousand Dollars in Mexican Dollars, which you will please have converted into the following american coin, for account of this Bank -

$4.000. in quarters
4.000 " Dimes
2.000 " 1/2 Dimes
10.000.

the above named amount will be placed in charge of the Union Transportation Company tomorrow morning @ 6 o'clock - and when received should be pleased to have your receipt -

Not knowing your rule, or the time it will take to coin them, I must rely upon you for advice on these points

Very Respectfully
your Obt Svr
H. W. Edmonds
Cash.

P. S. The correspondent of this Bank in Phila. is the Farmers & Mech. Bank - W Patton Jr Cash.)

Duplicate

Shawmut Bank

Boston May 9. 1843

Isaac Roach Esq.

Treasurer of the Mint

Philadelphia

Sir

The bearer of this will bring to the Mint, Five thousand Dollars & fifty nine cents in gold & silver coins for recoinage: the gold into Eagles and the silver into quarter dollars.

I will thank you to acknowledge the receipt of it and to inform me when I may send an order for the new coin.

Your Ob. Sert.

T. Brown

Cashier

Mint Office
May 9 1843.

Sir,

The deposite demanded in your letter of the 3d inst was made yesterday by Capt. Read, and I enclose you the Mint certificate.

I regret that, in consequence of the great demand for small coins, it is not out of our power to make you the returns by Capt. Read. ~~But if, after the coin is made, you would be prevented by the calculation, by from other postponement who may be entitled to it,~~ but We shall be able to pay you in two weeks, if you would be, (as I think,) be punctual to us.

R. M. P.

Wm B. Bingham, Esq
Cash. Merchants Bank,
New Bedford

Shawmut Bank
Boston May 9. 1843

Isaac Roach Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

The bearer of this will bring to the Mint Five thousand Dollars and fifty nine cents in gold & Silver coins for recoinage; the gold into Eagles and the Silver into quarter dollars.

I will thank you to acknowledge the receipt of it and to inform me when I may send an order for the new coin.

Your Obt. Serv.

T. Drown
Cashier

Mint U. S.

May 29, 1843.

Sir,

As you are about to leave Philadelphia with a visit, on your way to Boston, I have to beg that among the objects of your attention the Mint may not be forgotten. While Gen. Washington was President, he took great interest in this institution, and visited it frequently. No other President has been in this house, except Mr. John Quincy Adams, who came to the Old Mint, on one occasion, ~~in the evening~~ quite unexpectedly, privately. ~~and remained~~ Whilst Presidents Monroe, Jackson, and VanBuren, in succession, ~~this house~~ transiently ~~stopped~~ visited this City, they were not brought to the Mint; ~~though they~~ as no President has ~~the~~ seen ~~the~~ fit to present situation and with its improved machinery. I therefore most respectfully solicit that this house may be done to us on the present occasion.

I am, Sir, with the greatest respect,
Your faithful Servant
R. M. P.

To
John Tyler,
President of the United States.

Mint Office
May 9 / 45.

Sir,

I send enclosed a Draft Receipt for a deposite made in your name yesterday, by Capt Read. The coin will be ready in two weeks, when we will forward them ~~to you~~ as your return ~~money~~ the receipt enclosed.

P. M. R.

To/ Jno. P. Barker, Esq.
Cash. Maine Bank
New Bedford

Treasury Department
May 5. 1843.

Sir

Your letter of the 5th. has been received.
M. Cooper is not in Washington, but, it is believed, in Georgia.

Very Respy.
J. C. Spencer
Sec. of the Treasury.

Dr. R. W. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Phila.

Mint of the United States,
May 2 d. 1843

Dear Sir,

I wrote to you on the 22 d. ult.
that you small coins, for the deposits of
Moland & Reynolds, would be ready on the 29th.
I have just been making enquiry into the matter,
and find that the dimes and half dimes are not
ready as yet. The coinage will be hastened
as much as possible, and I will inform you
when to send.

You must not think, from this delay,
that we have been idle. Our coinage has
much exceeded a million of dollars.

Very respectfully
Your faithful Servt

Geo. Newbold, Esq
Pres. Bank of America
New York.

Mint of the United States
April 29th. 1843

Dear Madam,

If you will call at the Mint, We will pay you for the use of the Counting machine, invented and patented by your late husband, which we have employed for the beginning of the present year.

In my letter to you of the 4th of January, I proposed as the price of the use of this apparatus, 3 cents for every 1000 pieces, counted. We find it impracticable to determine the number accurately, as there is some counting done before that for the final delivery from the Coiner to the Treasurer. This last amount can always be readily determined from the Treasurer's books, and it is desirable that our tariff of prices should be founded on this number alone. In consultation with the Chief Coiner, We think that entire justice will be done, if we make the pay for the use of the counting machine 1½ cent, on every 1000 pieces counted by it for delivery to the Treasurer, and the number determined by the amount of such deliveries. It is on these terms that I now propose to settle the account with you.

Very truly Yours
(Signed) R. M. Patterson.

Director

Do.

Mrs. Elizabeth Tyler.

Merchants
Nov. 29/43.

Dear Sir,

In compliance with the request
made in your letter of yesterday, I send
the enclosed memorandum of the percentage
of your deposits of gold made in the 2/4th.

R.M.T.

To
August Belmont, Esq.
New York.

R. M. Patterson Esq. Director of the Mint

Mint

Philadelphia

New York April 28. 1843

Dear Sir

I have received the Marine Insurance Policy
deposited by me yesterday amounting to $ 853.75/100
& shall forward to you the Policy when duly
executed by the Captain. Might I beg
from your kindness to send me by return mail
the statement of the returns & hold the Policy
at your & my further disposal.

Very respectfully
Your most obedient servt
August Belmont

Mail Office
April 27/43.

Gentlemen,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st inst.

You notice us to the payment of your last bill of plancheits shall be attended to.

I beg to mention, however, that we have not yet your receipt for the amount, and to beg that you will send one to us, at your earliest convenience.

You may send us five tons more of your plancheits, on the terms of our existing arrangements.

I am
Your obt Servt
P. M. G.

Messrs Cowdin Bros & Co
Boston, Mass

Treasury Department

Oct. 26. 1863

L.

Prof. Lorin Professor Agassiz is engaged in collecting materials connected with the History of our country, and will present to the National Institute complete sets of all he obtains. I have to request that upon such general lines with materials of all the sizes in the mint as Dies. Can Lorin that on becoming acquainted with Mr Agassiz you will take pleasure in accommodating him to the utmost of your power.

In case upon of the dies to obtain sets of the two first Remarks of the United States. Any suggestion you may make the subject will be thankfully received.

Very respectfully

Your ob. Serv't

S. P. Chase

Dr Robert M. Patterson

Director of the mint.

R. M. Patterson Esq. Director of the U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

New York April 26 1843

Dear Sir

I beg leave to enclose for your
examination a Paper
containing 2000 Double Eagles
which I have received from the Mint
of the United States, and which
I propose to ship in the
Steamer Britannia, sailing on the
Wednesday following.

Your most respectfully
Augustus Schell

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

24 April 1843.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive One Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WM. SELDEN,

Treasurer of the United States.

Isaac Roach Esq

Mint of the United States,
April 22, 1843.

Dear Sir,

You can have your returns from your gold deposite whenever you please to send for them, & if you choose to wait till the close of next week, you can also have your small silver coin.

Respectfully
Yours.

R. M. Patterson
Director.

To/
Geo. Newbold, Esq,
~~Cashier~~ of Treasury
Pres. Bk. America,
New York.

Taunton Apl 21. 1843.

Rec'd Atlanta Esq.
Director

Dear Sir.

We have received your favor of the 19th inst. -

The amount of our last bill of Blankets we will thank you to forward to New York, dividing the amount as near as convenient between Messrs. A. & J. Harris & Co & Everett & Battelle —

Please forward the above via canal bin, bin small kegs as heretofore. We shall like authority to make you another shipment of 5 or 10 tons Blankets —

Yours.

Thos. Richmond
Crocker Bro. & Co

Mint Mark

April 19/43.

Gentlemen,

We have no instructions from you as to the payment for your invoice of blankets, sent on the 21st of January last, and on for which we have your account currently to $3691.52. Will you inform us what you wish the cents to be debited?

Our sales of cotton cloths have been of late very limited; and the attempt to introduce them at Newtown seems to have failed.

R. M. P.

Messrs Crocker, Burr & Co.
~~Stanton~~ Taunton
Mass.

Mint U. S.
April 19/43.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th, making inquiry as to the Mint value of Spanish Pistareens, Eighths, &c. In answer, I have to state that these coins are too thin and the below our Standard, and are, by wear, very deficient in weight; so that we find the following to be their average values.

Quarters	23.5 cents
Eighths	11.1 "
Sixteenths	5.1 "

At the Mint, we receive these pieces for coinage, only by weight; and it pays per ounce, after the small deduction for dirt, about 11½ cents per ounce.

R. M. P.

To/
S. Bailey, Esq.
Post Master,
New Bedford,
Mass.

Treasury Department
April 19th 1843

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 18th inst requesting that a Warrant may issue in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint for the sum of $6000 being the balance of an appropriation for wages of Workmen at said Mint for the half calendar year ending the 30th of June next ensuing; I will thank you to inform me what portion of the above amount, the public Service will require for expenditure, within the next thirty days.

Very Respectfully Sir
Your Obt Servt

J. C. Spencer
Secretary of the Treasury

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Mint Office
April 18 / 43.

Gentlemen,

In compliance with the request made in your letter of yesterday, I have enclosed a Memorandum of the product of your deposits made on the 25th ult. The coins are ready for delivery when ever you please to send for them.

R. M. P.,
Dr

Messrs. C. Bolton, Son, & Livingston.
New York.

Mint U. S.

April 18/42.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will issue your warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for Six thousand dollars ($6,000.) being the balance remaining of the appropriation for the Wages of workmen for the current half year.

P. M. P.

To Hon. Jno. C. Spencer,
Secretary of the Treasury.

New York April 17. 1793

Dr Patterson -

W Smith

Phila

Dr Sir -

We have the mint's receipt dated 25th
ult for a deposite of Silver Bullion to the 1000 fine
ounces, which we hope has been shipped &
is ready for delivery - & pray you to
send us the Certificate -

Your obt Servt

Boltons Exr & Livingston

P.O. Office, Bedford. Mass
apr 17th 1843.

To the Director of
the Mint - Philada

Dear Sir

I have been informed that Spanish quarter dollars can be provided to Philadp reduced, without loss from their former rates

Will you please inform me if this is correct: & if so I shall contrive to take them as heretofore & send them to the Mint

Very respectfully
Your obt Svt
S Bailey P.M.

Office Washington Ice Dimning Comp.
St. Doc. St.
15 of April 1843.

H. H. Wm. Patterson

Dear Sir,

I am instructed to invite you and the other Gentlemen attached to the Print, to visit and inspect a Specimen of Lieut Ellet. This day Receive from the Druid as the time it will Remain at the Office must necessarily be short. I trust you will all avail yourselves of the opportunity of viewing the largest Specimen ever Taken in this or any other Country

Respectfully
Your. Obt Servt.
Jam. D. Griffith Jr.

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Mint Office
April 13/43.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 11th I am to state that if you estimate the value of British gold coin at 94.6 cents per dwt, and of French at 92.9, there will be no loss on coinage, and probably but very little gain. I am now forwarding a memorandum of a deposite of French coin ~~made by the B~~ of which the legal valuation, under the act of March 3d, was $103,735.29, and the product in coinage 103,774.23, giving a gain of only $17.94.

The time required to make a return for the deposite of which you speak must depend upon the amount which may happen to be in precedance of it, — but the delay will not probably exceed a week.

R. M. P.

Dear

Wm Franklin Haven, Esq
President Mechants Bank
Boston

City & County of New York ss

Charles Parshall. one of the Pilots of Rebecca Parshall of the City of New York being duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath depose and say that he has lost in consequence of the disappearance or absconding of Jacob Shipman the agent of said firm a certificate or mint Receipt of the United States at Philadelphia numbered "174" for One hundred and ninety three ounces of gold Bullion dated Philadelphia April 5th 1843. which said receipt is in the name of the said Rebecca Parshall

Subscribed & sworn Before me this 13th April 1843

Charles Parshall

Notary Public
Pennsylvania



G. F. Nesbitt, Stationer and Printer.

State of New York.

City and County of New York, ss.

By this Public Instrument, Be it Known, *to all whom it may Concern, that I* **WILLIAM H. MAXWELL,** *Commissioner, in and for the State of New York, and resident in the City of New York, duly Commissioned by the Governor of the* Commonwealth of Pennsylvania *and authorized by law to take the acknowledgement of Deeds, Letters of Attorney, Mortgages, Contracts,* **or other Writings under Seal,** *with full power and authority to administer oaths and affirmations, and to take Depositions &c.* **DO HEREBY CERTIFY,** *that on the* 13th *day of* April *in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty* three */* **Before me** *said Commissioner, personally appeared* Charles Parshall *of the firm of* C. Bebe & Parshall —

and being by me duly sworn according to law, did depose and say, that the facts and circumstances, mentioned and contained in the annexed Deposition, are in all respects just and true.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, *I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year above written.*

W. H. Maxwell
Pennsylvania
Commissioner

WM. H. MAXWELL,
ATTORNEY,
Counsellor and Commissioner,
No. 3 Nassau-St. New York.

Merchants Bank
Boston, 11th April 1820

Allow me to enquire what is the cost, or gain, on the exchange of English and French Gold. You will oblige me also by stating the probable time necessary to receive $100000 in Gold upon the deposite of the same at the Mint.

I have the honor to be
your
Most Obt Servt

Franklin Haven
President

To the
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia
Penna

Ans

"Treasury Department
Third Auditor's Office
April 11th 1843

Sir

Your Bullion & Copper Accounts for the 1st Quarter 1843 are returned.

With due Respect
Your Obt Servant
Tully R. Mair
3d Auditor

To
Isaac Reed Esq
Treasurer Mint
Philadelphia

R. R. Pattison Esq. Paris 10 April 1815

Dear Sir,

I take the liberty myself very considerably in referring to the bill which passed the last Congress changing the rate of Duties going into effect ... believing that it would have the effect of selling the goods in bottles on hand cheaper than being subject to the increased duty if I should be obliged to pay it. I would also refer to the observations which I made in my letter of the 7th inst. respecting the mode of ascertaining the duty — in order to possess the necessary information for collecting it promptly and without delay. — I wish to obtain from you if you will inform me how far this is practicable and if you should entertain any objection —

I am very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
H. Hopkins

NOTICE.

ON the 5th day of April, 1815, the subscriber, as agent for J. G. Winter, deposited in the United States Mint, at Philadelphia, sixty-six Eagles of gold bullion for coinage, and received from the mint a certificate of such deposite, numbered 175. That certificate has been lost, destroyed, or mislaid, and the subscriber, upon an affidavit of such loss, has applied to the Treasurer of said mint for a duplicate of said certificate.

WM. M. BULLOCH, Agent of
ap 11 lt JOHN G. WINTER.

City & County of New York ss William H Burgoyne of said City being duly sworn doth depose

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G. F. Nesbitt, Stationer and Printer.

State of New York.

City and County of New York, ss.

By this Public Instrument, Be it Known, *to all whom it may Concern, that I* **WILLIAM H. MAXWELL,** *Commissioner, in and for the State of New York, and resident in the City of New York, duly Commissioned by the Governor of the* Commonwealth of Pennsylvania *and authorized by law to take the acknowledgement of Deeds, Letters of Attorney, Mortgages, Contracts,* **or other Writings under Seal,** *with full power and authority to administer oaths and affirmations, and to take Depositions, &c.* **DO HEREBY CERTIFY,** *that on the* 10th *day of* April *in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty* three **Before me** *said Commissioner, personally appeared* William H Burgoyne

and being by me duly sworn according to law, did depose and say, that the facts and circumstances, mentioned and contained in the annexed Deposition, are in all respects just and true.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, *I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year above written.*

WM. H. MAXWELL,
ATTORNEY,
Counsellor and Commissioner,
No. 3 Nassau-St. New York.

My Commission Pennsylvania Commissioner for New York

NOTICE.

ON the 5th day of April, 1843, the subscriber, as agent for J. G. Winter, deposited in the United States Mint at Philadelphia, ninety-nine 10/100 ounces of gold bullion to be coined, and received from the mint a certificate of such deposite, numbered 175. That certificate having been lost, the subscriber, upon an affidavit of such loss, has applied to the Treasurer of said mint for a duplicate of said certificate.

W. M. BURGOYNE, Agent of
JOHN G. WINTER.

ap 11 lt

City & County of New York ss William M. Burgoyne of said City being duly sworn doth depose & say that he is the agent for J. G. Winter who deposited in the United States Mint at Philadelphia for coinage Ninety nine 10/100 ounces of Gold Bullion and received from said mint a certificate of such deposite marked No 175. He further says that said certificate has been lost and further saith not.

Sworn & subscribed the
10th day of April 1843
Before me
J. W. Fullerton
Pennsylvania

Wm M. Burgoyne
John G. Winter

The subscriber hereby makes application for a duplicate certificate of the deposite mentioned in the above affidavit. April 10. 1843.

Wm M. Burgoyne Agent
John G. Winter

Mint of the United States,
April 10. 1843.

Dear Sir,

I send enclosed a Memorandum of your deposite of French Gold coins made on the 7th inst. In the estimate of the amount given in your letter of the 6th, you have used, as I see, the old rate of 93.1 Cts. per dwt., instead of 92.9, which would have given you $103,756.29.

I will let you know when the coins are ready.

Yrs.

R. M. P.

Dl.

Tel-
Jno. Newbold,
Pres. Bk. America,
New York.

774.23
756.29
1796

Mint U. S.
April 8. 1843.

Dear Sir,

I send enclosed a Memorandum of the proceeds of your deposite made on the 29th ult., and, in answer to your letter of yesterday, I have to state that the coin will be ready for delivery on Thursday next.

Yours &c.
R. M. P.
Jr.

To/
J. M. Morrison,
Cash[r] Manhattan Co.,
New York.

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, April 8th 1843.

Sir,

I herewith forward you the quarterly account of the operations of the Mint for the quarter ending the 31st day of March 1843, which I hope you will find to be correct.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Serv.
Original Signed Asa Rush
Treasurer.

To
Tully R. Wise Esq.
1st. Auditor of the Treasury
Washington.

Mint of the U. S.
April 8. 1824.

Gentlemen,

I have enclosed the receipt & Memorandum of the Silver deposited Mar 8th on the 6th inst., in your name. The coins are now ready, & will be paid on presentation of the receipt properly endorsed.

R. M. P.
D.

Messrs G. F. Dominy
Clerk

Messrs
John E. Hyde & Co.,
New York.

Manhattan Co
Newyork April 7 1843

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Phil.

Dear Sir

I hold the Treas.
Receipt dated 29th March, 43 - for 832 24/100 Ounces
English & French Gold, to be melted and
returned to me in American Coin.
will you have the goodness to inform
me by return of Mail if the same has
been Coined, and if ready for delivery
and oblige

with much Respect
Your obedt Servt
D M Morrison
Cashier

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office
April 7th 1843.

Sir,

Your letter of the 27th ultimo, explaining the charge, disallowed in the accounts of the Treasurer of the Mint, for the 4th quarter of 1842, for "Christmas gifts to Watchmen", being considered satisfactory, has been referred to the First Auditor, that the said charge may be credited to Mrs Roach in the next settlement of his accounts.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

Wm Cullen

Comptroller.

Dr: Robert M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Whenever a Certificate of Deposite at the U. S. Mint is lost, The owner thereof will be required to describe the Certificate, to make oath of the loss, and advertise the same in one or more daily newspapers of this City Notifying that application has been made for a duplicate Certificate before the Treasurer can issue such duplicate.

U. S. Mint,
Philad^a April 7. 1843,

Bank of Pittsburgh April 6. 1843

Dear Sir

Our Porter Mr Brinkerhoff
will hand you this, and the Bank Receipts for
our Gold deposites of the 17th & 22d Ult. amounting
together to $124720.22 cts. Our Bank
you to direct the Coin for the amount to be
delivered to him accordingly — He is instructed
to return with the Wagon & the early Cars of
Saturday Morning

We forward in Charge of Mr
Brinkerhoff to be deposited in the Mint for
Coinage for our account, a parcel of French
Gold Coin Amounting to $103,975.22 cts and
must request of you the favor to give us the
Return, in half Eagles at as early a day as
possible —

Remaining very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Jno. Harper Cash.

Robt Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Philada

Bank of the United States Augt 5. 1843

Dear Sir

I have received your favor of the 3d Inst informing me that our Gold deposits can be made on Friday Sept and that there will be a deficiency of 2 or 3 thousand in making Returns in Specie Silver Coin for the Silver deposited by Messrs Howland & Aspinwall, the last for which is held by this Bank —

We will accordingly send for the Gold Coin on Friday next, and I Request of you the favor to have the amount to be Specie put up, so that our Messenger may receive it on Saturday morning in time to bring it on by the early hour of that day —

I Regret that we could not Comply with your wishes to pay the Treasury draft on us for $50,000 out of the ~~Silver~~ our Gold deposites, then in the Mint, as we had before the Receipt of your letter of the 2d Inst made an arrangement with Messrs Baker & Co to pay the draft for our account, without waiting for it to become due

And further sir, that even if it had been otherwise, we could not have given you out of those Gold deposits without incurring disadvantage, as we were desirous of procuring the Lady Eagles for the whole amount as early as possible — and hereby take not understand your letter as expressing a desire that we would send you out from existing deposits —

I remain very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Jno. Hartshorne Treas

Robt Patterson Esq
Director Mint
Philad.

New York 4th April 1848

Rd. M. Patterson Esq.
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia
Sir

Your obliging favor of the 3rd inst
is at hand this morning. —
There are great & small, 18 pieces of the
silver, weighing about 317 ounces, which we send
to day by Harnden & Co's express. — Regretting that
the gold is so small in amount that you cannot
receive it, we are with great respect

Yours Truly

Wm. E. Hyde & Co.

Mint U.S.
April 3/43.

Dear Sir,

The Silver pcs described by Messrs. Howland & Aspinwall have been cast into half-dollar ingots before your letter of the 30th ult. was received. We are obliged therefore to borrow Mexican dollars in order to make the small coins which you require. The arrangement will be delay of but a few weeks in making the returns.

Mr. Beebee saw fit to pay your transfer-draft, for $50,000 in Silver; which gold was the metals of which, as I informed you, we stood most in need. The Bank of Commerce had also made arrangements which would have caused a draft on them, to the same amount, to be paid in Silver; but on learning my desire to have gold, they sent us Sovereigns to the amount required.

Your gold deposite can be paid to you on Friday next.

Yr. Ob. Sert.
R. M. P.

Gov. Marcy, Esq.
Pres. Bank of America
N. Y.

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
April 3d. 1843

Sir

Your Accounts of the Ordinary receipts & expenditures of the Mint for the 1st. Quarter of 1843 are received ~

With due regard
Your Obt Servant
Tully R. Rice
1st. Auditor

To
Isaac Roach Esqr
Treasurer &c
Philadelphia

Mobile Ala.

April 3/43.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 1st inst. I am to state that the Sloop to which you refer will be received at the Mobile on deposite for Orange; but that the goods is excluded by the rule which permits on receiving deposites of less value than $100.

R. W. P.

Dr

Messrs. John E. Hyde & Co.,
New York.

Mint U. S.

April 3/43.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 31st ult., I am to state that your Mint receipts being made payable to ~~you~~ Order, the amount for Mint drafts sent to you, will be paid by an ~~order~~ endorsement, whether general or special; & the latter that the receipts can be negotiated by you at Boston, if you can so dispose of. The coin hereafter, will be issued on presentation of the ~~said~~ Mint Receipts for same, endorsed, the * Silver deposits, in Silver coin; & the gold deposits in gold coin. ~~It is the regulation of the Mint that the coin paid for the deposits shall be of the same value as the deposits made by him.~~

P. M. P.

To/

Wm. W. Goddard, Esq.
Boston.

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Mint of the United States
Treasurer's office, April 1st 1845

Sir,

I forward you herewith, the Quarterly account of the Ordinary receipts and expenditures of the Mint, for the first Quarter, of the present year, which I hope you will find to be correct.

Very respectfully,

Your most obed't Sv't

To
Hon. Robert M. Walker Secy.
Treas. of the United States.

New York 1st April 1843

To the Superintendant of the Mint
Philadelphia

Sir,

We have recd. from a correspondent in South America about 320 ozs. of silver in old plates & dishes, and about 60 dwt. of gold in 30 small lumps. —

The object of the present is to learn whether the Mint will receive the two parcels if we send them on, and pay us for them in the usual way, when their value shall have been ascertained. —

We are Yours Respty

Jno. C. Hyde & Co.

R M Pedersen Esq

Dear Sir

I certainly would not ask you to know your business. I will be at the Mint at, between 11. & 12. this day -

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Emile Gautier
at
Mint.

R M Pedersen Esq

Robert M. Patterson being duly affirmed doth depose and say, that he is Director of the Mint of the United States, and was so during the month of October 1841. That when gold or silver bullion is deposited at the Mint for coinage, it is weighed in the weighing-room of the Treasury, usually by the Weighing Clerk; if necessary, it is melted previous to assay, and again weighed; whereon there is a distinction of weights "before melting" and "after melting". The bullion (unless it be of known and unvarying fineness, as is the case with some kinds of foreign coin, but is the case with no other form of bullion) is then assayed by the Assayer or Assistant Assayer, and the fineness is ascertained by him and reported to the Treasurer. Besides, if the bullion be gold, and contain silver sufficient

cient to repeat (or vice-versâ) the reports that facts and the amount of bullion. Upon my warrant to the Treasurer, the bullion is thereafter paid for in coin of the same kind of metal, as early as may consist with the state of his coinage funds. Of all these transactions, records in the form of brief entries are kept in the various offices of the Mint, all of which are under my control. . . . . .

Witness further deposes, that he has examined the records and entries, and that the memorandum marked A. of gold bullion deposited by Saml. W. Field, on the twelfth day of October 1841, accompanying this deposition and signed by George W. Eckeman, is a true abstract from the records. And that it appears from the records, that on the fourteenth day of October 1841, warrants were issued by me for the payment of $764.00 in gold coin, and $22.63 in silver coin, to Jonathan W. Fields, as the sums were duly paid over. And further the deponent saith not.

George W. Eckeman being duly sworn doth depose and say he is Book-keeper and Clerk in the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia; and that the memorandum hereto annexed, marked A. of gold bullion deposited on the 12th day of Octo. 1841, by Jonathan W. Field he has read it appears that the net value thereof was in gold coin $780.00, and in silver, for so much extracted from the first parcel, $22.63, altogether amounting to $786.63, it is in his handwriting and was signed by him. And further that such a memorandum is in the course of business always furnished to the depositor. And further the deponent saith not.

Mint of the United States,
May 20. 1813.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th, asking for a complete set of the coins struck in the present year, to be taken among the presents for the Emp. of China, carried out by Mr. Cushing.

I am happy to have it in my power to comply with your request, without delay; & accordingly send a case of the coins asked for, by the present Mail.

A list of the coins is inclosed, with a bill of the cost. If you authorise the payment by the Mint, we will make it; but if it be more properly a charge upon some other fund, I must pray you to cause the amount to be remitted.

R. M. P.
D.

To
Hon. A.B. Spencer,
Sec. of Treasury.

Sir,

Washington May 30 1843

I have your favour of Ramsden, the Ther-
mometer, and a Set of the Coins found there, for
forwarding the same.

Yours respectfully
J. C. Spencer

Dr Patterson
Director of the Mint

Washington
Treasury Department
May 18. 1848.

Sir

It has occurred to us that among the articles which it would be expedient to send to China by our Minister, it would be well to include a complete set of the Coins issued during the present year. On Consultation with the President he concurs in the idea, and if you see no practicable difficulty, I desire you to have such a set prepared and placed in a neat Case to be presented to the Emperor of China. Mr Cushing will depart in about a fortnight, and of course they should be ready before that time.

Your respectfully

J. C. Spencer

Dr Robert M Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Mint U. S.

May 31st, 1843.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th inst., just brought to me from the Post-office, where it had been detained by mistake.

Since the receipt of your letter of the 15th of March we have been annoyed at this Mint, that were not specially asked for by the depositors: and no orders If it is true, that the deposits by exhausted ought have been stopped or entirely refused with your views with regard to them, but it has seemed impossible not to conform with it, under the provision of the 3d Sect. of the Act of Jan. 18, 1837, which requires "that in the denomination of coins delivered, the Treasurer shall comply with the wishes of the Depositor, unless when impracticable or inconvenient to do so." — With a large deficiency of smaller coins on hand, & that prompt payments could be made, we might justly plead this "inconvenience"; and, as the gold amount of deposits is diminishing, I hope that we shall soon be in this condition. To comply with the wishes of the

~~Department is entirely out of stock, but can~~
~~supply Medals.~~ Will be thankful that you advise us
of the number of quarto copies to be added
to the list of this and the Board of Naval
During the present month, one coinage of
small silver has been very great; amounting
to more than a million of pieces; viz. 152,000 quarter dollars, 225,000
dimes, and 680,000 half dimes, ~~1,057,000~~

R. M. P.

Hon. John C. Spencer,
Sec. of Treasury.

Bank of Pennsylvania Jany 30. 1843

Dear Sir

I have received your favor of the 22d Inst. advising me that the Brig Fox on deposite of both Gold & Silver are ready for delivery, and I have your letter of the 21st to Mr. A Belmont informing him that the Brig for his deposite of the 27th Ult. are also Ready -

I beg therefore to inform you that we will have for them either to-morrow or on Thursday and I request that you will deliver them to our Messenger who will hand you the accompanying Certificate, making that issued to Mr. Belmont for a Gold deposite of $15.748.32/100 which has been transferred to the Bank —

I remain very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Jno. Sergeant Cashr

Nicholas Biddle Esq
President of the United States Bank

Silver Deposite — $4831.70
Gold deposite $103.774.23
" — " 15.748.32 $117.522.55

Phila 30 May 1843

Office of Alls of the U.S.

Dear Sir

Will you do me the favor to answer in the subpoenas the names of such gentlemen whose testimony will be important to the Govt in the Case of Governor Shinley and Mr Benezet.

The deputy Marshal will then serve the subpoenas.

I would like to have a conference with you some day or morning of this week on both subjects. When will it be more convenient to you.

Very truly Your obt Servt

H. N. Wallace

Dr R. M. Patterson

Washington May 30th 1843.

Dear Sir,

I think it is the President's intention to be in Philad[a] on the 6th of June and to leave it on Monday the 12th - If he can do it that must be all I think it will be soon to be on Saturday the 10th. - The President will probably be down tomorrow or next day And I shall be in Philad[a] on Friday evening the 2d Instant & will leave on Saturday at 3 O'clock for New York. When I come to Philad[a] I shall probably be able to tell you something more definite.

Very Truly
Yours
Jno Porter

Doct R. M. Patterson

Mint of the United States.
May 29. 1843.

Dear Sir,

I have a favor to ask of the Committee of Arrangement for ~~the reception of~~ the entertainment of the President of the United States. It is that among the objects to be provided for to his attention, the Mint may not be forgotten. — With the exception of a purely private visit from Mr. J. Q. Adams, this institution has not been seen ~~visited~~ by any President ~~since~~ except Gen. Pinckney, who took great interest in it. — In the present building, and with the improved machinery, it has not been honored by the visit of any President; and ~~you~~ it is certainly attended by gentlemen ~~written to the President to ask~~

Very respectfully Sir,
Your friend & Servt
R. M. Patterson.

To/ William Strickland, Esq.
Chairman of Committee of Arrangements
for President Tyler's visit,
&c &c

Treasury Department
May 25. 1843.

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated yesterday - one enclosing the statement of the deposites and coinage at the Mint & branches during the Month of April.

The proportion of quarter Eagles coined is not so large as was desired or expected under the instructions heretofore given by the Department. I have been unable to perceive the peculiar advantage of a mint which merely coined as all other Mints in the world coined.

The country is entitled to some benefit from such an expensive establishment, and, that benefit will be found, chiefly, in the coinage of such pieces as will be most likely to remain in circulation and are least useful for exportation.

I must, therefore, reiterate the desire of the Department that you would increase, as far as practicable, at the Mint and branches, the coinage of quarter Eagles & diminish that of the half Eagles - and as to the Eagles it would be well to have none coined except such as are specially requested by the depositors.

I am very respectfully
J. C. Spencer
Secretary of the Treasury.

R. M. Patterson -
Director of the Mint -

Mint U. S.
May 24/43.

Sir, The coin for your deposite
of the 2[d] ult. is ready for delivery.

R. M. P.
for G. F. D.

Aug. Belmont, Esq.
New York.

War Department
May 23d 1843

Sir,

I transmit herewith a copy of a letter of the Secretary of the Treasury, by which you will see that it is supposed dies of Washington and the elder Adams can be executed to complete the series of medals of all the Presidents "without much expense". I have to request you to report an estimate for this purpose at your earliest convenience.

Very respectfully,
Your Ob. Serv.
J. M. Porter

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia.

Copy

Treasury Department
May 22nd 1843.

Dear Sir,

The series of Indian Medals commenced under the administration of President Jefferson and there were none struck of either Washington or the elder Adams. The Director of the Mint informs me that dies for the two first Presidents can now be executed without much expence. If the subject meets your approbation will you direct Dr Patterson to have the dies for Washington and Adams executed to complete the series of Indian medals?

Very truly Yours.
John C. Spencer.

Hon J. M. Porter
Secretary of War.

Washington
Treasury Department
May 22. 1843.

Sir

Your letter of the 19th inst has been received. I am very much obliged to you and Mr Peale for your attention and Kindness to Professor Wyatt.

The National Institute will be very glad to receive a set of Medals from Mr Peale and will highly appreciate his valuable present.

I will ask the Secretary of War to direct dies of Washington and the Elder Adams to be made to complete the Series of Indian Medals. Do you know of any good portrait of President John Adams?

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
J. C. Spencer

Dr R M Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Mint of United States,
May 22. 1843.

Dear Sir,

The coins for your depositer, both of gold & silver, are ready for delivery.

Very respectfully
Your faithful Servt.
R. M. P.
Dr.

To
Geo. Newbold Esq.
Cash. Bk. America.
New York.

Phila May 22 1843

R. M. Patterson Esq

Dear Sir

George Lewis
of the city of Phila has requested me
to write to you in relation to his
application for the situation of
watchman at the mint. Before
writing this I have made careful
inquiry & learn from sources that
can be relied on that he is a
man of strict integrity & sobriety
entirely trust worthy & well fitted
for the station he seeks. He has
been a uniform & consistent
member of the democratic
party without making himself
obnoxious to censure by any one
by his deportment — very respectfully
your obt svt
Calvin Blythe

Treasury Department
May 22. 1843.

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 19th. instant and to say in reply that I considered Dr. Farnum's resignation as perfect the moment it was received and that it was not necessary or usual, formally, to accept it.

The Government has no option on the resignation of a civil officer as there is no power to compel him to serve, nor can it solicit any one to continue in office.

I am very Resp.
J. C. Spencer
Sec. of the Treasury.

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philad.

Mint of the U. S.
Philad.a June 28. 1843

Sir,

I beg leave to ask ~~a second~~ a renewed favour, ~~at your hands~~, on behalf of this Institution.

Having ascertained, from the recent work of Professor Wilson, that the Hon. East India Company have come into possession of the whole of Mr. Masson's collection of antique Oriental coins, amounting to many thousands of pieces, I have entertained the hope that a few ~~specimens~~ might be obtained for ~~the Museum of this Mint, either by grant, barter or sale~~ our Cabinet.

The kinds most desired are, those of the Greek princes of Bactria, ~~a specimen or two of the~~ Barbaric Bactrians, and ~~as a few of the~~ Indo-Scythian kings of Cabul.

We can offer in return, a suite of the master-coins of ~~our Mint~~ the U. S., ~~specimens of~~ our national medals, or the price in money; together with our thanks to the Hon. Court of Directors and yourself, or whoever may have the charge of this matter.

I shall be obliged by hearing from you, ~~on this subject~~, and meanwhile I am the Honr to be

Very respectfully
your obt. servt.

Dr. Thomas Horsfield
Librarian to the Hon E.I.C.
(P.O. via Liv.)

P.S. The coins, if sent, may be entrusted to Petty Vaughan Esq. No 70 Benchurch St. or any gentleman coming to the U.S.

(Copy)

Mint of the United States

Treasurer's Office June 30. 1813

Sir.

I forward you herewith, the Quarterly accounts of the ordinary receipts and expenditures of the Mint, for the second Quarter of the present year; which I hope you will find to be correct.

Very respectfully,

Your Most Obd. Servt.

Signed S Round

To

Tench R. Ilbert Esquire, Treasurer.

First Auditor of the Treasury.

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office June 30th 1843.

Sir,

I herewith forward the Quarterly Statement ending this day as a Depository of the public money.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt
(Signed) Jno. Rock
Treas.

To
Wm. Selden Esq.
Treasurer of the U. States
Washington

Hartwood P.O June 26. 1843

Dr Pattinson

Dear Sir

I take the liberty at the recommendation of your friend Dr Mellford of sending you on some samples of Silver ore the vein a large one. Millions of the ore can be had. We have no person with either skill or the means of testing and I must beg the favour of you to test it. We are offered 200 hundred acres of land with the silver mine on the land at 500$ payable in 4 years. if it should turn out to be as rich as we have reason to think it is you can have an interest I hope you will excuse the liberty and write me the result of the test

S. M Blinker

Hartwood P.O Stafford co Va

8 miles above Fredericksburg

This ore is from near the surface. a shaft 48 feet is sunk on the vein. supposed to be Coal

Bank of Pough Keepsie
June 24th. 1843

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 12th. inst. was duly receivd. And the key of vault and your letter of the 22nd. inst. were received this morning - I have forwarded my draft on the Fulton Bank for the value of the coins, 100. dollars -

Yours very respectfully

E. B. Benjamin Cash.

R. H. Patterson Esq.
Dunlap

Mint Office
June 22d, 1843.

Sir,

A keg of cents, containing $100 nett, was sent to you from the Mint on the 12th inst. and I wrote to you, at the same time, requesting a draft on Washington for the amount, — as proposed in your letter of the 7th. — (The clerk) As we have not heard from you, I have thought it right to inquire if any accident has prevented the transmitting either of my letter or of the remittance of copper coins.

R. M. P.

To
E. P. Benjamin, Esq.
Cash. Bank of
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

21 June 1843.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive One Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WM. SELDEN,
Treasurer of the United States.

Isaac Roach Esq.

Mint U.S.
June 19, 1843.

Sir, I have the honor to request that you will issue your warrant, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for six thousand six hundred dollars, being the balance remaining of the appropriations for the current half-year: viz.—

Compensation for Officers & Clerks, — $4,600.—
Wages of Workmen, — — — — — 2,000.—

Total $ 6,600.—

R. M. P.

Hon. Wm. M. Meredith
Sec. of Treasury.

Phila Sund 19th 1843

R M Patterson Esq
Mint
Phila

Not being able to get the information in this city you wished about the Export of Am Gold coin We addressed our house in New York. & We herewith Enclose their reply. If it shd not Satisfactory we shall be happy to make any other Enquiry you may suggest

Very Resp
Yr Ob Servt
Casselle Bankers

Newgate June 17th 1843

R M Patterson Esq
U S Mint
Philadelphia

Dr Sir

In answer to enquiries made by Messrs Baring Bros in regard to the exportation of american Gold coins, we notice that in 1839 large shipments were made both to England and France, since which no shipments have been made except a small amount to France in 1839, american Gold coins in England & France being of value no greater than Ingots of same fineness and the Gold coins of France & of England having a higher relative value in both countries a pressure of 1/2 & 1/2 p is given in their favour consequently American Gold coins have not been exported when Foreign coins were obtainable, The late Law of Congress reducing the Legal value of French & English Gold coins will give a further pressure of 1/2 p in their favor for Export - 1/4 1/2 or whole Eagles may be exported with equal advantage.

an occasional demand has existed for a few or two bars for american Gold for export to the West Indies Islands but the amounts have been inconsiderable

Very Respy
Yr obt Svt
Baring & Pasmalt

Bank of America June 16. 1843

Dear Sir

I have received your letter of the 15th Inst and I have the pleasure to State in Reply, that I have not known that of American Gold Coins have been exported in any Considerable quantities for Several Years past — When the Rates of foreign exchange are so high as to Call for or justify the export of Coin, the French Gold Coins for France and the British Sovereigns for Great Britain are preferred to American Gold Coins — There are occasionally Some American Gold Coins exported to the East Indies, but the amount is not large, as Doubloons are preferred and Make a better Remittance to Most of the Asiatic Ports when they are Scarce and bear a high Price — There are also Some American Gold Coins Sent into Canada, but they frequently Send them back again in the Course of Trade —

Whereas American Gold Coins are exported
to either France or England, they go as bullion,
and it is of Course probable eventually whether
they be in greater Eagles or in the larger Coins
they be in greater Eagles or in the larger Coins

I am very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Geo Newbold Esq

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director Mint
Phila

Mint U.S.
June 15/43.

Dear Sir

I have a particular interest in getting
answers, to which I can depend, to the following
questions; and no one is more able to give them
than yourself. Your reply will therefore confer
a great favor.

Have American gold coins been, at any
time, sent abroad in any considerable quan-
tities? — If they be so sent abroad, do
you think that a coinage of gold into quar-
ter-eagles would prevent the exportation?

Very respectfully &
faithfully yours,
R. M. Patterson.

To
George Harbold Esq.
Pres't Bank of America, New York.

To
Charles Macalester, Esq.
Philadelphia.

To Geo. M. Bibb, Esq. Sec'y

Mint of the U. S.
June 14. 1834.

Sir,

I have duly received the Check for $22.50, drawn by the Hon. Caleb Cushing, and forwarded by you, to pay for a box of the coins of the United States, sent for the use of this Mission.

R. M. P.

Dr

Hon. M. Clintock Young, Esq.
Acting Sec. of Treas.

Treasury Department
12th June 1843

Sir,

I inclose to you a check on the Merchants Bank Newburyport for $22.50 drawn by the Hon Caleb Cushing for a box of U.S. Coins. I have given him a receipt for the amount.

Yours respy
M.C. Young

Dr R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Bill of Lading of 1 cask Copper
($100) shipped to E.H. Powers, New York
June 12. 1841 3.

Mint of the U. S.
June 12. 1841.

Dear Sir,

I send above a bill of lading of the keg of cents applied for in your letter of the 7th. inst.

As I have found that a draft on Poughkeepsie cannot be cashed here at par, I must beg you to send me, (as you proposed,) a draft on New York, for the amount due, viz. $100.

Yours

R. M. P.
D.

To/
E. P. Benjamin Esq.
Cashier Bank of
Poughkeepsie.
N.Y.

Athena June 10 45

E. Sprague Esqr

Dear Sir

Please have the
Gold Coined Sun Half Eagles

Yours

Blockley Cashr

Mint of U. S.
Philada June 10. 1843

Dear Sir,

The three catalogues, which you were so kind as to transmit to me in August last, came to hand a few days since. I think there was verbal information that they had rested some months at Palermo.

We are anxious to increase the interest of our Mint Cabinet, by adding to it a few antiques. To this end, we should be rejoiced to have the advantage of your aid, and experience in numismatics. I suppose that Vienna must be a good market for those things, but if not, I hope you have access to Rome, Florence, and other favourable points, by your correspondence; an advantage not possessed by us.

What we wish from you, is, a series of ancient Roman coins. Please to observe the following particulars. First, we wish them to be in good preservation. Secondly, we have no concern for rare pieces, merely for the sake of rarity; our object is to have a chronological series, as complete as we can get it, and as cheap. And lastly, where the coins are cheap, we wish one of silver, and one of large or middle brass, of each personage. If they are dear, a single piece, in either metal, will suffice. For variety's sake, we should like to have the value of forty florins (about) in gold specimens, of common types.

I am told that good specimens of silver (not rare) cost in Rome from two to four francs; brass coins, less than half these rates. However, you are not restricted to these prices;

a few dollars in the sum total, more or less, will not be important.

The only good coins we have, & which you need not get, are these:
In Silver. Augustus, Tiberius, Vespasian, Domitian, Trajan, Postumus, Hadrian, Philip, and Faustina jr.
In Brass. Antonines Pius, Philip, Germanicus, Maximianus, Tetricus pen. & jun. Carausius, Constans, Constantius ii.
Also ten family pieces in silver; Cornelia and Lucretia.

We should like to have ten or twelve varieties of family coins in silver, common types; all the Emperors (counting Julius Cesar) and the principal empresses, Cesars, and Usurpers, down to Theodosius the Great; and after him, the Emperors in the West. (The Greek emperors we are expecting from Constantinople)

The following specimens are also particularly desired: 1. A Vespasian or Titus in brass, with the reverse Judea Capta. 2. A Constantius ii. in middle brass, legend Hoc Signo Victor Eris. 3. The same, with the monogram of Christ between Alpha & Omega; and legend Salus Augusti. 4. A brass coin of Julian ii. with an Egyptian deity on the reverse. 5. A Valens or Valentinian with either the Christian labarum, or monogram. (Provided they do not cost more than eight florins each.)

I presume the amount of three hundred florins (Aust.) will nearly or entirely suffice for the foregoing requests.

If you can procure a good specimen of any of the Syrian kings (Seleucidæ) or Ptolemies of Egypt, in any metal, at not more than twelve florins each, please to do so.

I beg leave to offer you a medal of President Tyler, in copper gilt, of which a few have just been struck. The President and the heads of departments are now in our city on their way to Boston, and have just honored the Mint with an inspection.

The coins may be sent in one or more parcels, as you get them, by any good opportunity. Please to render a bill, including all expenses. If I can reciprocate your attentions in any way, please inform me.

Very respectfully
your faithful Servt

R M Patterson
Director

J. G. Schwarz Esq. U. S. Consul &c

(Duplicate)

Mint of the United States
Philada June 10 1843

Dear Sir

I am desirous to avail myself again of your ~~compliancy and~~ kindness, in procuring some varieties of coin for the Mint Cabinet. The specimens to be named are doubtless rare, and not easy to be obtained; we shall therefore wait upon you patiently; and if you find it necessary to write to our Consuls at Smyrna or Cairo, or to any friend at Damascus, Aleppo or elsewhere, I beg you will do so.

The pieces desired are the following.

1. One of each of the Greek Emperors, either in silver, billon, or bronze. Our main object being to have an historical series, we care nothing for "rare reverses"; that is, pieces ~~which commend themselves to~~ numismatists, & command a high price, simply from something unusual about the ~~face~~ reverse. Probably you can get them for a dollar apiece, or less; but at any rate, please not to expend under this item more than fifty dollars.

2. Ottoman coins, especially the earlier ones, to the amount of thirty dollars.

3. A specimen or two of the Abbasite caliphs, especially Haroun Alraschid. Marsden's work contains 14 varieties of

coin of this renowned Commander of the Faithful; whence I infer that they cannot be extremely rare. I suppose five dollars, at any rate, would command a good specimen.

4. A specimen of the Fatimite dynasty of Egypt, particularly of Mostaaser Billah, whose reign extended to sixty years, and of whom there must be a good many specimens. Marsden gives five varieties.

5. One or two of the Ayoubites of Egypt, especially Saladin and Malek Al-Adel. Marsden says the copper coins of Saladin are numerous.

6. One or two of the Crusaders, if there are any.

[7. See last page, & insert here.]
Lastly — modern coins of Georgia, Circassia, and the Imâm of Muscat, to the amount of ten or fifteen ~~twenty~~ dollars.

Please to take note of the following additional directions. First, we wish them to be of undoubted genuineness; and to this end, we beg you to use all necessary caution. At the same time, ~~if there be any piece whose genuine character is doubtful~~, if in any instance an authentic piece is not to be had, but one which is confessedly a very good counterfeit presents itself, we would rather have that than none. Only let it be so marked, and let the price be suitably moderated.

Secondly, we wish no pieces ~~which~~ unless they are in good preservation; worn out, corroded, illegible pieces are of no value. Still, if they are only moderately worn, and the legends can be distinctly made out, they will answer.

A few dollars above the foregoing limits must not be regarded, where it would be material in filling up the order.

I take occasion to present you herewith, a copy of the Inaugural Medal of President Tyler, in copper gilt; of which a few have just been struck.

The coins may be forwarded in one or more packages, as you procure them, by any safe hand; payment for the same, all expenses will be made to Mr. Eddy, or otherwise, as you shall direct. —

Very respectfully
Your faithful Servt

John P. Brown Esq.
U.S. Drogman,
Constantinople.

P.S. Can you inform us of the prices of ancient Greek silver coins, of Alexander & his successors, say the drachm, didrachm, & tetradrachm?

[7. Two or three specimens of the Seleucida, or Antiochuses of Syria, if they do not cost more than five dollars each.
8. Two or three Ptolemaean, of Egypt, at the same rate.]

SHIPPED in good order and well-conditioned, by ROBINSONS & CALDWELL,
S. S. Miller, pr. on board the good Schoon called the Union whereof
Hallock is Master for the present voyage, now lying in the
port of **Charleston**, and bound for Philadelphia To say:

United States Mint
Philadelphia

One Small package (Con'g gold)

being marked and numbered as in the margin and are to be delivered in the like good order and well-conditioned, at the aforesaid port of Philadelphia (the danger of the seas only excepted,) ~~unto~~ at the

United States Mint

~~or to assigns, he or they paying freight for the said~~

freight paid

with primage and average accustomed. **In Witness Whereof,** the master or agent of the said vessel hath affirmed to two Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date: one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Dated in **Charleston,** the 9th day of June 1843

Bethuel C Hallock

Weight unknown
607.19

Charleston June 10. 1843

Wm Patterson Esq

Director of the Old Main Bk.

Dear Sir I have in charge a package
sent with certain for Collection carried
Some months ago which I have
since received authority before
this to the Cash Product of same
mine and the owner is anxious to
know how it turns out as quickly
Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Simmons Caldwell

Bank of Bough Keepsie
June 7th 1843.

Dear Sir

Please to send this Bank One Keg of Cents amounting to One Hundred Dollars, and Draw on me for the Amount. Or if you prefer it I will remit to you in a draft on New York, on the Receipt of it.

Yours Very Respectfully

E. & Benjamin Cash.

To the Director of the
U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

(Private.)

Albany
June 6/43.

Dear Sir,

I learn, to day, that it is probable that you may accompany the President on his tour to the North. I am asked by him to write to the Albany, while during his stay in Philadelphia, as I understand that the Committee of Arrangement, for his reception here, have set down this institution among the objects to which their attention is to be directed. Let me then beg that you, also, will, during the time on the dam recording, do us the favor of visiting this establishment, which is attached to the Department over which you presides and I am ambitious of having you that this establishment, so closely connected with your department, is not unworthy of your attention.

Yours,
R. M. P.

Hon John C. Spencer.

War Department.
June 6. 1843.

Dr Sir

Your letter addressed to the Hon James M Porter, Secretary of War, was duly received. The answer has been delayed in consequence of the absence of the President, who returned but yesterday.

I am directed by his Excellency the President to say that he will arrive in Philadelphia on Friday afternoon. As to engagements in that city, he can say naught. If it will be in his power to visit the Mint, he will do so with pleasure, but how his time is to be occupied, he cannot tell until his arrival.

I would therefore respectfully recommend to you to have the medal, which you speak of, dated on Saturday the 10th. as that will be the day on which he visits the Mint, if he possibly can do so.

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt.
Sam Jumes. Porter.
Actg Secy of War

Dr Robert Patterson.
Mint. Mint. Phila

Senate bill No. 31, settling the value of foreign coins of gold and silver circulating in the United States, was taken up as in committee of the whole, and read.

Mr. BENTON made a few remarks in opposition to any action being taken on this bill at the present session. He was but imperfectly heard in the reporter's gallery, but was understood to be opposed to the bill altogether. He read from Childs & Co.'s Price Current, Philadelphia, the following comment on this identical bill, which was reported to the Senate at the last session.

NEW GOLD AND SILVER BILL.

A bill of incalculable importance to the currency of the United States has been reported by the Senate Finance Committee; providing—

Sec. 1. Gold, of British coinage, of 916⅔ 100ths fineness, [22 carats,] shall be a legal tender at 94 6-10ths cts. per dwt.; French, of 899-1000ths fineness, [21 carats 2 4 tenths grs.] at 92 9 10ths cts. per dwt.

Sec. 2. Spanish pillar dollars, and dollars of Mexico, Peru, and Bolivia, of 897-1000ths fineness and 416 grs. weight, shall be received at 100 cents; and five franc pieces of France at 93 cents.

Sec. 3 provides for assays at the mint.

Sec. 4 repeals all former acts making foreign coins current.

By the act of 1834 foreign gold coins are received at—

English, Brazilian, and Portuguese, 22 carats fine, 94 6 10 cts.

French, 21 car. 2 4-tenths grains fine, 92 1 10 cts.

Spanish, Mexican, and Colombian, 20 carats, 1 7-10th grains fine, 89 9 10 cts.

Other gold coins are received at the mint assay, and silver coins generally by tale.

We have included in brackets the carat for comparison, though it is found at the United States mint that English coin yields but 916⅔ pure gold in 1,000 parts, instead of 916⅔, the legal standard of 22 carats.

Before the act of 1834, gold, because of its reduced value here, sought a foreign market; and scarcely a single coin was seen in our currency. Since that time, it has constantly formed a part of our circulating medium, without driving silver away. This proves that they are equalized in intrinsic value by that standard.

The effect of the remodelled standard is apparent. It banishes mostly all but French and British gold, and renders them less current, by reducing their value. American eagles and shares form but a small proportion of the gold circulation, and are quite inadequate to the end. Gold must, therefore, be excluded from its place, as silver is too cumbrous for the offices of gold denominations.

But this bill looks farther, and excludes foreign silver; for it admits only dollars and five-franc pieces, diminishing the value of Spanish dollars.

The English and French gold coinage always falls below the lawful standards—by design, it is said, at their mints; and it is found that the valuation of 1834 does not admit of recoinage here, without loss. There is good reason, then, for equalizing according to fineness; but we object to any attempt at exclusion.

The whole object of the bill, if we judge by the effect, is to diminish the specie of the country; for our own coinage, with a constant foreign drain, or without it, is yet insufficient for our wants. The deficiency must be supplied with paper money. The wisdom of experience counsels no such change; and we leave it to her lessons to plead, trumpet-tongued, against any measure designed to increase promises without fulfilment.

Mr. B. desired, if it was the intention of the chairman of the Finance Committee to press the bill through at this session, to have some time to examine the subject.

Mr. EVANS had no objection to accommodate the Senator from Missouri by a postponement of the subject for the present, but would certainly call up the bill at an early day, as he understood from the directors of the mints that it was necessary the bill should be passed, in order to place foreign gold and silver coins at a fair relative value with our own. He mentioned several communications he had had on the subject, pointing out the necessity of this measure. He also alluded to the concurrent opinions of Mr. Gallatin and Mr. Appleton, in pamphlets published by them on the subject of the currency, both in favor of this measure.

Mr. BENTON pointed out the effect it would have of driving out foreign specie, and encouraging, as a substitute, paper promises to pay. He asked but a day's delay, to produce evidence which he intended to bring forward on the subject.

Mr. EVANS said the bill might be laid over for one week.

Mr. BENTON observed that he would be ready to-morrow morning to produce the evidence he alluded to.

Senate Chr.

June 5. 1843

D. Sir,

The Bill relating to

Came up Yesterday, & after a few

was postponed by my consent a few

shall call it up in a day or

it without debate - the read,

a statement printed last session,

Childs & Co, Bankers, Phila. -

in the terms of it, that

Can you inform me.

such persons there. Who are they?

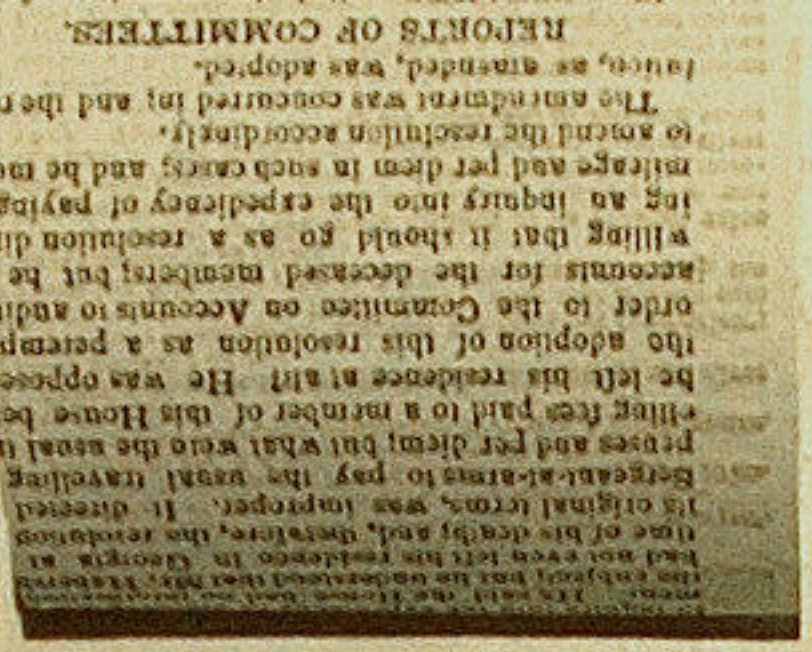
their remarks! They were Childs

& What motion have they to mis-

state of the Bill?

by Order of Gen!

Geo Evans


REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.
The amendment was concurred in; and the re
lution, as amended, was adopted.
to amend the resolution accordingly.
mileage and per diem in such cases; and be no
ing an inquiry into the expediency of paying
amounts for the deceased members; but be
willing that it should go as a resolution dir
order to the Committee on Accounts to audi
the adoption of this resolution as a determi
he left his residence at all. He was oppose
rillac fee paid to a member of this House bef
Bureau-at-arms to pay the usual travelling
purses and per diem; but what was the usual
its original terms, was improper. It directed
time of his death and, therefore, the rendering
had not even left his residence in Georgia at
the subject, for he understood that Mr. Stephens

Senate Chr.

June 5. 1843

R. M. Patterson Esq

Dr. Sir,

The Bill relating to

Inspectors Genl, came up Yesterday, & after a few

observations, was postponed by my consent a few

Days. I shall call it up in 5 or 6 Days.

Mr Benton will resist it vehemently - He read,

yesterday, from a statement printed last Summer,

furnished by Childs & Co, Bankers, Phila. -

Mr Connelly lives near me. In the event of it, that

he knows no such persons there. Who are they?

Did you see their remarks? They were sent

into the Globe. What motives have they to mis-

represent the Spirit & object of the Bill?

Very Truly Yours,

Geo Evans

* & Mr Benton again in the Globe of last evening.

Mint of the United States,
June 5, 1843.

Gentlemen,

In compliance with your request I send enclosed the Memorandums of the Value of the deposites of the Santa Fé traders, made on the 31st ult., viz:

Mateo Sandoval,	Gold,	Net Value	$16,127.31
Rafael Armijo	"	"	3,855.18
Juan C. Armijo	—	—	5,719.63
Juan Otero	"	"	6,619.47
Juan Perea	"	(33,815.15)	1,193.54
Rafael Armijo	Silver	"	107.35
Mateo Sandoval	"	"	457.47
Juan Otero	"	423.05	58.23
			$34,438.18

R. M. P., Director,
per G. F. Deming
S. C.

To/
J. Harmony's Nephews & Co.,
New York.

Memorandum of Bullion deposited
by the Trustees of Mr. Peebles from 1st January
to 31st. December 1843.

Gold. . .	£ 1,497,551
Silver. . .	1,631,490
	£ 3,129,041

Santa Fe June 2d 1845

R. M. Patterson Esqr

Bowie & Gilbert

Taos

Dear Sir

The Santa Fe Merchants just arrived here have handed us the following receipts for Bullion deposited at the Mint

Mateo Sandoval	Gobr	Bullion	860	69/100
Rafael Armijo	"	"	260	"
Juan B Armijo	"	"	300	5
Juan Otero	"	"	459	75
Juan Perea	"	"	62	"
Rafael Armijo	Gobr	"	85	70
Mateo Sandoval	"	"	411	"
Juan Otero	"	"	46	70

to enable us to keep the amount of each account you will oblige us by forwarding us statement of the proceeds of Each deposit separately. We are

Dear Sir Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servts
Webb & Hopkins & Co

Duplicate

Shawmut Bank
Boston June 2d 1843

Isaac Roach Esq
Treas.r of the Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

The bearer of this, will bring to the Mint, Five thousand Mexican Dollars for recoinage; Three thousand Dollars into Dimes & Two thousand Dollars into half Dimes.

When you give the receipt, please say when I shall send for the new coin.

Your Obt Serv.

T. Drown
Cash.r

Shawmut Bank
Boston June 2. 1843

Isaac Roach Esq
Treas.r of the Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

The bearer of this, will bring to the Mint Five thousand Mexican Dollars for recoinage; Three thousand Dollars into Dimes & Two thousand Dollars into half Dimes.

When you give the receipt, please say when I shall send for the new coin.

Your Ob.t Serv.t

T. Drown
Cash.r

Mint of the U. S.
June 1. 1843.

Sir,

I have to inform you that the coins are now ready for your delivery of the 13th inst.

Respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.
R. M. Patterson
Director

To/ F. W. Edmonds Esq.,
Cash. Mechanic's Bank,
New York.

Taunton July 29. 1843.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director.

Sir.

Your favor of the 25th. Inst. to me came received - & the order for Ten Army Blankets, will have an immediate attention.

In the course of next week we expect to wait on You with invoice & B/Lading -

I remain
Your
Very Respectfully
Yours &c
Crocker Brooks

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

26 July 1843.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive one Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WM. SELDEN,
Treasurer of the United States.

I Roach Esq

Mint House
July 28/43.

Sir,

The cent forwarded to you from Rockland County, N.Y., by Mr. A. P. Stephens, is perfectly genuine.

Mr. Stephens observes that "the country is inundated by them." If this is any where carried so far as to be an annoyance, the remedy is very simple, inasmuch as copper coins are not a legal tender in payment and may be refused.

R. M. P.

Hon. John C. Spencer,
Sec. of Treasury.

Philadelphia July 28th 1843

Dear Patterson

President of the Mint

Dr Sir.

Will you be so good as to send me a Memorandum to the enquires made in the within letter. Your attention to which will much oblige

Yours Respectfully

Robert Sutter Jr

per Robt. J. Kinnan

Boston July 29 1843

R. M. Patterson Esq

Director of the Mint of the United States

Phila.

Sir

Your Letter of

25 Inst enclosing certificate of Coined value of four Eagles sent forwarded by us, on the 22d is received — for your very prompt attention to our request please accept our thanks. — We now beg to acknowledge our having endorsed over said Certificate to James Dodd Esq Cashier of the Massachusetts Bank which when the same will be received at the Mint

Very Respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Lombard & Whitmore

duplicate

Shawmut Bank
Boston July 27. 1843

Isaac Roach Esq.
Treas.r of the Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir,

The bearer of this will bring to the Mint Two thousand Dollars in silver coin for coinage, into quarter dollars. Please return the new coin in the same packages in which you receive the bullion, and make a memorandum of the receipt, of the time when it will be ready.

Your Obt. Serv.t

T. Drown
Cash

Mint of the U.S.

July 25th 1843.

Gentlemen,

I have to request that you will send to us, as soon as practicable ten tons of cent planchets, upon the same terms as heretofore.

Very respectfully

Your obt. servt.

Robt. Patterson

Messrs. Crocker, Brewster & Co.

Taunton, Mass.

(Copy.)

Norfolk, July 25. 1843.

Robt Loudes Jr. Esq.
Philadelphia.

Dear Sir,

Be Kind enough to make enquiry at the Mint in your city on the subject matte of the letter I inform me of the result at your convenience.

1st. Will the Mint receive from individuals & receive for them old cents to be sent them in lots not less than $50 @ $100?

2d. Will objection be made to foreign copper coins mixed with the American in proportion of ⅓ or ¼ or thereabout?

3d. Will the Mint receive the old coin by weight or by count & will they pay out the recoinage by weight or count?

4th. What will be the charge for recoinage?

5th. If denied will the Mint pay in silver or gold the value of the recoined copper?

Very truly Yours
(Signed) Charles Harris

Mint of the U.S.
July 25. 1843.

Gentlemen,

I send enclosed a memorandum of the amount produced by your deposite made on the 22d. The Chief Coiner informs me that the grain-dollars, which you desire, will be ready for delivery by the end of next week.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servt

To
Messrs. Tomlard & Whitmore
Boston.

(Copy.

Mint of the United States.
July 22/d. 1843.

Sir.

I have the honor to request that you will issue your Warrant, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for Two thousand Dollars, out of the appropriation, for the current fiscal year (1843-44) for paying the Wages of Workmen. ($2000.)

Very respectfully
(Signed) Your most Obd. servant
R. M. Patterson
Director

To
Hon. John C. Spencer.
Secretary of the Treasury.

SUFFOLK BANK.

Boston, July 24 1843.

Dear Sir,

I have Rec'd by your address, by Adams & Co Express, a sealed Key marked [S] [B] containing about $ 3000 in Mexican Dollars and mutilated Silver Coins - for which please send me by Same conveyance, as Soon as convenient, the amount, say $ 2500 in quarter dollars & the balance in Smaller coins.

William Lee Jun

Yours Obt Servt

S. S. Brewer Cash

To the Director
of the U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

(Copy)

Mint of the United States.
July 24th. 1813.

Gentlemen,

The deposite of silver bars, announced in your letter of the 20th. was received on the 22d. and will be coined into Spanish dollars, as you desire. The amount coming to you will be the same as if the return were made in half dollars. This amount, and the time of payment, I will communicate to you, as soon as the assays are made.

Very respectfully,
Your humble servant
(Signed) R. M. Patterson
Director

To
Messrs. Lombard, Ellis & Co.
Boston.

Boston July 20 1863

Sir,

By Harnden Express this day we have sent to the Mint 42,W 104 pcs bars of Silver, for Coinage in quarter Dollars — Please inform us in due time — also Silver is sub — delivered in due course — also please inform us if the Coinage will be made in pieces as requested

Very Respectfully
Lombard & Baltimore

P.S. if there is any difference to us in the result of being coined into 25 in place of 50 cent pieces Please inform us, & oblige us convenient —

L & B

War Department,
July 19. 1813.

Sir,

Your letter of the 12th instant transmitting an estimate of the cost of preparing dies for medals of Washington and the elder Adams, was duly received. The estimate appears to be a moderate one if the dies be prepared without the Mint, but it was the impression, both of the Secretary of the Treasury and myself, that they could be entirely executed by persons and machinery employed in the Mint, and that there would therefore be no further cost than that of the models, and perhaps of the requisite material. Permit me to enquire whether they cannot be thus executed, and thus greatly diminish the expence.

Very respectfully,
Your Obed: Serv.
Jno Porter

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director of the Mint.
Philadelphia

Philadelphia, August 7th 1843.

United States Mint

Dr. to SIMON MUDGE, No. 246 Market Street,

Collector of TAXES for Middle Ward for 1843,

	VALUATION.	COUNTY, 50 cts. per $100.	STATE, 30 cts. per $100.	CITY, 18 cts. per $100.	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
Estate on Chesnut, Sunified by Chas Ly	75.000	375.00	150.00	135.00	$660	00

Mint Office
July 15 / 43.

Sir,

In your letter of the 14th inst., you do me the honor to inquire "the terms on which gold deposited at the Mint is coined, and why foreign Coins in good condition are sent for re-coinage."

As I presume that your inquiries have regard only to French and British Coins, I shall confine to state, ~~and~~ in answer to the first question, ~~that~~

~~that~~ after the recoinage of French gold there is no charge made, and no deduction unless it may be ~~from time to time~~ occasionally for a slight loss on remelting, when the Coins are old and dirty. — I will take, as an example, a deposite of 20 fr. pieces, made by the Bank of Louisiana.

The weight before melting was 5,584.30 oz
" after " 5,584.07
U.S. Coins returned, ~~amounted to~~ $103,774.23

~~By the act of March last the~~
Legal value of 92.9 cts per dwt of fine metal
~~Value of these Coins, at $1.03 per oz~~ } 103,756.29

Brought by recoinage, ——— 17.94

Now this trifling difference would be far from sufficient for paying the transportation of the specie from the depute and back again. —

As to British gold, since its ~~the~~ price was averages 915½ ~~thousandths~~, while we stand and is 900, we have to add alloy, and for this a small charge is made. It is also, when sold, subject to a ~~charge~~ deduction for loss in remelting. — I present to you, as an example, a deposite of Sovereigns recently made by the Farmers & Mechanics Bank of Philadelphia.

The weight before melting was 15,760.11 oz.
" after " 15,758.57
Alloy, ——— $ 8.13

U.S. Coins returned $ 298,222.70
Legal value at 916⅔ ots per ozt.
of fine weight, ——— 298,179.39
Gain on recoinage, $ 43.31

This very trifling advance, on an amount of nearly 300,000 dollars, cannot, it is evident, have been the object of the recoinage.

~~But the recoinage can have~~

In consultation, the recoinage is evidently disadvantageous to the holder, since the British sovereigns are in England, equivalent to bullion at 916⅔ thousandths fine, while we have received them at this true standard of 915/p. — In like manner the French Coins are equivalent, in France, to bullion at 900, while we receive them at 899.

Since I received your letter, I have been at pains to inquire what is the true object in the view of the ~~observers~~ projectors, when they procure the recoinage of ~~this~~ foreign gold? and the uniform answer given to me is, that the American Coins are wanted for American Circulation. They say that our people do not know the foreign Coins, are uncertain as to their value, are suspicious of them, and, in ordinary transactions, at least out of the large cities, refuse to take them.

Mr. Becker informs me that ~~American~~ U.S. gold coins are in great request by travellers, who willingly give for them ¼ per cent. ~~above~~ premium. The foreign coins do not answer this purpose. A case has come to my knowledge, in which a traveller who had furnished himself with British Sovereigns, became very much embarrassed by their being rejected as payment, and was at last ~~was~~ glad to exchange them, at a Bank at Easton Penn.a, for ~~[illegible]~~ $ 4.88 cash, — being a discount of very nearly one per cent.

Mr. Macalester, who has recently returned from an extensive tour through the Southern & Western States, says that U.S. gold coins are becoming much more common there in the hands both of travellers and dealers, and that foreign coins cannot be substituted for them, notwithstanding the act making them a legal tender.

We, he thinks, the circumstances which is
going rise to a large coinage of foreign
gold at the New Orleans Mint. — etc.
~~Becker says that when~~ I inquired of
Gen. Becker why U.S. gold coins were,
a few months ago, in such demand for
remittances to New Orleans, and his answer
was that they then commanded there
a premium of 1/4 per cent over other
specie, including foreign gold coins.

The conclusion to which these facts
seem to lead is that the demand for
U.S. gold coins is accidental, — that this
use is becoming more general, — and
that they are gradually attaining a
currency as a specie circulation more
convenient than silver for many pur-
poses, and more likely to be retained
in the country.

P.M.P.

Hon. Jno. C. Spencer,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
July 16th 1813

Sir

Your Copper Accounts for the Quarter Ending
30th June 1813 are rec'd —

To
Isaac Roach Esq.
Treasurer &c
Philadelphia

With due respect
Your Obt Servant
Tully R. Wise
1st Auditor

Washington

Treasury Department

July 14. 1843.

Sir

I wish you would state the terms on which gold deposited at the Mint is coined, and why foreign Coins in good Conditions are sent for re-Coinage?

Very respectfully

Your Obt. Servt.

J. C. Spencer

Dr R. M. Patterson

Director of the Mint

Philadelphia.

Mint U.S.
Aug 12, 1843.

Sir,

In compliance to
Circumstances, delayed my more prompt
compliance with the instructions, given to me
in your letter of the 23d of May, that I should
forward to you an estimate of the cost
of preparing dies for Medals of Washington
and the Elder Adams, to complete the Pre-
sidential Series.

After due inquiry, I am now able
to lay before you the following very mode-
rate estimate.

For a die of head die of Washington,
including Model in plaster, moulding and sine
casting, forging & turning dies, transferring
from Model by pantograph, lathed, retouching
head & die, hardening, polishing, &c. $ 300.

For the reverse die ——— 50.
$ 350

For Adams, the same, 350
Whole amount Total — $ 700

So that the whole amount required
for completing the Presidential Series

is but $700.

Of the Hon. Adams, there is an unfinished die at the Mint, first not belonging to it, and not of the size required. It was cut by Furst, and is a good piece of execution. It may, on proper specimen of [illegible] with die, be [illegible] hope, be made use of. I send you an impression taken from it in suitable metal.

The portrait of Washington required by us should be modelled by Mr. Greenough, and we have estimated this charge at $60.

[illegible] I will await your orders, & shall proceed without further delay in the purchase work, on the receipt of your orders to this effect.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful Servant
R. M. Patterson
Dr

To Hon. James M. Porter
Secretary of War.

Estimate for Presidential Dies.

Head of Washington.

Model in wax	$ 60.00
Reducing in Steel	20.00
Engraving, Turning & materials	25.00
Retouching, Hub & Die	100.00
Actual Cost	205.00

Reverse 30.00
20
25
retouching 50

Dies Sigs
Adams.
750

205.00
$ 585 00

Collects Cost $ 700.00

Mint of the United States.
July 11, 1843.

Sir,

During your late visit to the Mint in company with the President, you did me the honor to ask my opinion as to the importance of [illegible] our gold coinage as much as possible to preserve the eagle, with a view to prevent the exportation of American gold coin.

I felt that the question was one to be decided by facts, and I accordingly addressed a letter of inquiry to three different persons whom I believed to be fully possessed of the information desired. Of this letter, and the answers received, I now send you the enclosed copies. —

It was my intention that this communication should accompany my Report of the Coinage for June; but as I have not yet received the information from the Assay Office in London, I may not, for some days, receive the Report from the Philadelphia Board, necessary for making this report,

I have therefore kept back (this communication from a desire, (now abandoned,) that it should

accompany my report of Coinage
for June?
for the month of June see that
your instructions as to the Coinage of gun
ten cent pieces have been followed as far
as practicable.

R. M. P.

Hon. John C. Spencer,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Copies last of my letter of June 15th,
to Ch. Macalester, Geo. Newbold, and
Geo. M. Bebee;
And of this one was sent June 15,
16, & 17.

Shawmut Bank
Boston July 11. 1843

Isaac Roach Esq
Treas of the Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

The bearer of this will bring to the mint, Three thousand Dollars in Mexican coin, for recoinage; One thousand each into quarter dollars, dimes & half dimes.

Please say when you give the receipt, when I shall send for the new coin which I will thank you to return in the same package in which you receive the bullion.

Your Obt Serv.

T. Brown.
Cash

Duplicate

Shawmut Bank

Boston July 11. 1843

Isaac Roach Esq

Treas. of the Mint

Philadelphia

Sir,

The bearer of this will bring to the Mint, Three thousand Dollars, in Mexican coin for recoinage; One thousand each into quarter dollars, dimes & half dimes.

Please say when you give the receipt, when I shall send for the new coin, which I will thank you to return in the same packages in which you receive the bullion.

Your Obt. Sert.

T. Brown

Cash

Mint of the U. S.
July 8. 1843.

Sir,

Your ~~letter~~ of the 6th inst. inclosing an extract from a letter of the Consul at Bremen, is just received. I have the following explanations to make, in regard to the subject contained in it. -

While the proposition was pending in Senate, ~~Hon~~ a copy of the Bill was sent by Mr. Evans, requesting that it might be reviewed & corrected here. Among other amendments, I proposed one in relation to Bremen currency, in a letter to Mr. Evans, in these terms:

"One of the Hanse towns, Bremen, is an important port of trade between the U. S. and Germany. Its thaler of 72 grotes is worth 71 cents. Ought it not to be included in the bill?"

~~Not having at hand a copy of the law, I am in the dark as to its provisions. I find nothing in any bill to show that two sorts of Bremen dollars were intended to be inserted in the bill, one at 71, the other at 72 cents. But~~, that you may see that the subject is not free from perplexity (no unusual thing in German moneys) allow me to state the following facts.

In 1753, the principal Bremen coin was a piece of 48 grote, worth about 54 U.S. cents; at which rate the Bremen thaler of 72 grote, an imaginary money, was worth 81 cents. There was no coinage from that date till 1840. In the meantime, we have the Bremen thaler quoted in London, at 3s. 2d. sterling, in 1821, and at 3s. 3.4 d. in 1829. In 1840 there was a new coinage, of the half-thaler of 36 grotes (of which I enclose an engraved fac-simile) and lesser coins. This half-thaler is worth, by assay, 35.7 U.S. cents. The whole thaler would therefore be 71.4 cents; but the necessary allowance for wear &c. forbids that it should be rated above 71 cents.

Now the question is, whether this new coinage is the Bremen standard of value, at home and abroad, or whether it is merely used for city-currency, while the old imaginary thaler is continued, for foreign dealings? We I am not able to solve this question. I did, indeed, take it for granted that the new real money superseded the old nominal; but the Consuls letter rather conducts me to a different conclusion. ~~or at any rate, from the matter is uncertain. It~~ To observe he speaks only of currency, and not of coin; and moreover, coined money would not be ~~likely to be~~ subject to such a prodigious fluctuation in trade as that of 75 to 79 cents per thaler. Such being the case, and (assuming that) as there is a six-dollar assessed in the bill at 78¾ cents (which is near the Consuls value calculation), it must be granted that this is the rate proper to be regarded in Custom-House transactions; at least, until the law can be modified. Supposing that the coin is not the standard, it is to be regretted that Bremen money was included in the Act at all; for nothing is so difficult of adjustment, (as you are aware) as the international value of mere moneys of account.

During your recent visit at the Mint, you expressed a desire to be informed as to the value of the thaler of Saxony. Until recently, this was an imaginary thaler, equal to 72.9 U.S. cents, more or less according to exchange; but, as we have been expressly informed by Consul Flügel of Leipsic, "from the 1st January 1841, the Saxon currency will discontinue, and the new coin be introduced." This new coin is the thaler of XIV. to the fine mark, and the same as the Prussian, say 68½ U.S. cents average of coinage. This thaler is divided into 30 groschen.

I am very respectfully
your faithful servt.
A. Dallas

To Hon. Jno. C. Spencer
Sec. of Treas.

Extract from a Letter addressed to the Treasury Department by A. D. Brown Esquire United States Consul at Bremen dated the 8th of May 1848

"Per each of the recent Sessions of Congress Laws not yet been received at this Consulate, but through the Newspapers Steam Ratio Law was passed to regulate the value of the Currency of different Countries at the Custom Houses. Bremen is represented to be "Bremen Rix Dollar" is valued at 78 3/4 cents and the "Bremen Thaler" at 71 Cents. As there is but one Currency Law the Bremen Thaler a Rix Dollar of 72 grotes, this an actual must occasion Loss expected to the Government unless speedily remedied — A merchant advertises of 10,000 Dollars worth of Silks Bremen Currency to Newyork. He produces his Invoice at the Consulate stated "Value Bremen Currency 10,000" & this he is required - The Collector addicts Invoice conformably to the act of Congress at 71 grotes Cents 71 to the "Thaler" when the actual value of the Thaler in the Market is from 76 to 79 Cents U S Currency - Thus taking 77 cents as the average value of the "Bremen Thaler"

(which Congress has established at 71/ $ 600 worth of Merchandize
passes through the Custom House without paying any duty
and occasions a loss of $ 180 to the Farmers on a Shipment
of 10,000 Bronze Cannon under a Tariff of 30 per Cent ad

Treasury Department
July 6th 1840

Sir:

I have to call your attention to the representations contained in the enclosed extract from a letter addressed to the Department under date of the 8th of May last by A. D. Mann Esquire United States Consul at Bremen in reference to the value of the Currency of that place and to ask to be furnished with your views on the subject. Be pleased to state what the par is in your postoffice the Coins referred to, and also their actual value together with such information as you may deem useful

I am very Respectfully
Your obed't Servant

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

J. C. Spencer
Secretary of the Treasury

Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
July 6th 1843

Sir

Your Accounts of Gold & Silver Bullion for
the Quarter Ending 30th June 1843 are returned
with due respect
Your Obt Servants
Tully McCrea
1st Auditor

To
Isaac Mitchell Esqr.
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, July 5. 1843.

Sir,

I herewith forward you the quarterly accounts of the operations of the Mint for the quarter ending the 30th day of June 1843, which I hope you will find to be correct.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt
(signed) Isaac Roach.
Treasurer

To
Tully R. Wise Esq.
1st. Auditor of the Treasury
Washington

Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
July 3d 1843

Sir

Your Accounts of the Ordinary Receipts and Expenditures of the Mint for the Second Quarter of 1843 are returned —

With due Respect
Your Obt Servant
Fred R. Wise
1st Auditor

2d
Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer &c
Philadelphia

D. W. Mc Culloch Esqr
Comptroller of Treasury.

Mint of the U. States,
Philada Augt 26. 1840.

Sir.

I have received your notification of the Settlement of my account of ordinary expenses of this Mint for the year ending with December of this year, and take the occasion to say, that we have no intimation of the Adjustment of the first Quarters account. —

Very respectfully,
Yr obt. Servt.
(Signed) D. Reed
Treasurer

Mint of the U.S.
Aug. 25. 1843.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 23d, I have to state that Messrs. Saunders & Co's Messenger called for your coins on the 14th, when it was found that our Clerk of the Weigh-room had put up half-dollars for you, by Mistake, instead of quarters which had been ordered. The Messenger was then told to call the next day, but did not do so. After some time, one of our Clerks went down to Saunders's Office to tell them that your coins were waiting; & they were accordingly called for and taken away, but not till the 22d.

R. M. P.
D. —

To
Jas. Dodd, Esq.,
Cash. Mass. Bk.,
Boston.

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office -
August 24th 1843.

Sir,

Your accounts of Ordinary Expenses for the 2d quarter of 1843, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 15.369.35, stated to be due from you to the U. States -

Balance per your accounts	$ 13.369.35
Add - Amt. of Warrant dated July 25th 1843	2.000.00
	$ 15.369.35

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.

Wm Cullen

Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia -

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

August 24—1843.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive one Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WM. SELDEN,
Treasurer of the United States.

Isaac Road Esq

Massachusetts Bank
Boston, Augst 24 1833

Robt M. Patterson, Esq.

Dear Sir,

The Coin which was the subject of enquiry in my letter of yesterday, arrived this morning and the amount ascertained to be correct.

Respectfully Your Obt Servt
James Dodd
Cash.

Massachusetts Bank
Boston, Augt. 23d 1843

Robt M. Patterson, Esq.r
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia;

Sir:

On the 9th instant, I endorsed to Harnden & Co, carrying between New York and this City, for the purpose of their bringing its proceeds to Boston, the Certificate of the Mint issued to Lombard & Whitmore, about the 22d of July, and by them transferred to this Bank, for Silver Bullion, deposited by them to the amount of $6516.06, to be coined into quarters of Dollars.

As the Coin has not arrived, and no satisfatory cause assigned for the delay, as it was, no doubt ready at the Mint before the order for its delivery passed into their hands, Will you have the goodness to inform me by return of Mail, whether it has been delivered, and if so, to whom and at what date.—

Very Respectfully
Your Ob. Svt.
James Dodd,
Cashr

Dear Sir,

I am so much better, that I am determined to keep the house one day longer.

Please note the contents of the enclosed letter, and make them known to Mr. Sprague. — I think the Assistant Receipt had better be made out in the name of Mr. Springs. As his Christian name has not been communicated to us, a blank can be left for it.

Very truly yours,

R. M. Patterson.

Aug. 21, 1843.

Major Roach,
Treasurer &c.

(Copy)

Mint of the United States
Aug. 21, 1843.

Sir.

I have the honor to request that you will issue your Warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint for two thousand Dollars ($2000,) out of the appropriation for the current year, for paying the Wages of Workmen.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servant
(Sgd) R. M. Patterson
Director.

To/
Hon'ble John C. Spencer,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Jn Sprague

Dr Sir

I have had an attack of Trouble in my face so much swelled I shall not be at the Bank to day—

I enclose a Note from Mathews for who sent the Spoons to the Print, who say some of them were sent by mistake I suppose they are melted, and if not I dont see how they can be returned—

The Lads mother tells them it is to be at the Print this morning to procure an answer to the Note — It seem very strange that the owner of the Spoons should make such a Mistake —

Yours respectfully

J Read

Isaac Mattick Esq

Shelbd Aug 19/1843

Dear Sir

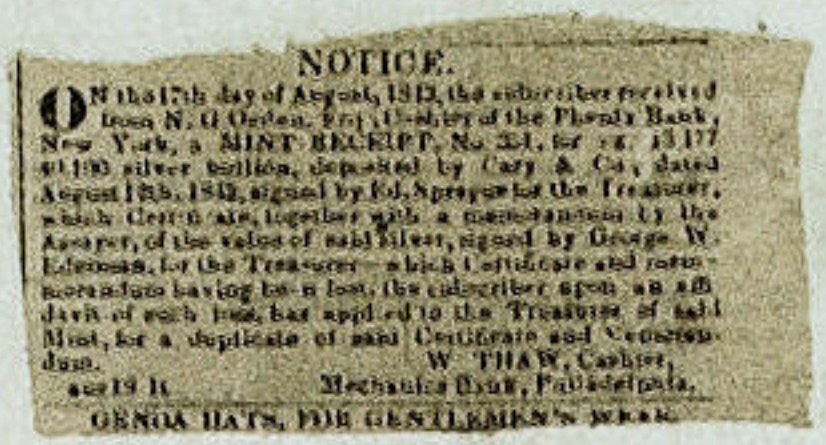
Among the Spoons sent to the Smith this morning there was 6 Tabb & Sis Sea marked T.C.H. which were sent by mistake - If you can withdraw them you will much oblige me and my Son Stewart has the money to defray the Value of the same.

Yours &c

Thos Dewight

285 South 10th St.

There are also 3 other large, Spoons & Ladle of same mark which I do not want to withdraw - =



NOTICE.

ON the 17th day of August, 1843, the subscriber received from N. G. Ogden, Esq. Cashier of the Phenix Bank, New York, a MINT RECEIPT, No. 351, for oz. 13177 40/100 silver bullion, deposited by Cary & Co., dated August 12th, 1842, signed by Ed. Sprague for the Treasurer, which Certificate, together with a memorandum by the Assayer, of the value of said Silver, signed by George W. Edelman, for the Treasurer — which Certificate and memorandum having been lost, the subscriber upon an affidavit of such loss, has applied to the Treasurer of said Mint, for a duplicate of said Certificate and Memorandum.

W. THAW, Cashier,
Mechanics Bank, Philadelphia.

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GENOA HATS, FOR GENTLEMEN'S WEAR.

City of Philadelphia, ss.

William Thaw, of the said city, being duly affirmed according to law, doth say, that on the seventeenth of August, 1843, he received from N. G. Ogden, Esq. Cashier of the Phenix Bank, New York, a Mint Receipt, No. 351, for oz. 13,177 40/100 silver bullion, deposited by Cary & Co. dated August 12th. 1842, signed by Ed. Sprague for the Treasurer, which certificate, together with a memorandum by the Assayer, of the values of said silver, signed by George W. Edelman, for the Treasurer, has been lost: and further saith not.

W. Thaw

Affirmed and subscribed the 18th day of August, A.D. 1843, before me,

Peter Hay,
Alderman

Mount Vernon
Aug. 18/42.

Sir,

The coins for your deposite of gold made on the 24th of May have been long ready, and are now subject to your orders. — I send enclosed a memorandum of the amount &c.

R. M. P.
&c

To/
Thurman Coats, Esq.
Cash. Comm. & Farm. Bank,
Baltimore.

Treasury Department
August 16. 1843.

Sir,

The Secretary of War has enclosed to me a copy of your letter addressed to him dated the 11th inst. upon the subject of the execution of four dies for medals of Washington and the elder Adams for the purpose of completing the Presidential series.

It would seem from your letter that the Chief Coiner executes such work at the Mint. If so, it is not perceived by the department how he can, with propriety make it the subject of private emolument. At all events, in the present case, the authority of the department to do the work, is sufficient to justify the employment of his time and services in it.

From the anxiety expressed by the C. Coiner & yourself that the work should be executed it is hoped and expected that all the aid and every facility within the power of your establishment will be cheerfully furnished for its completion.

I am very Resp.y

J. C. Spencer
Sec. of the Treasury.

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philad.a

War Department,
August 15. 1843

Sir,

Your letter of the 11th instant has been received and I have transmitted a copy to the Secretary of the Treasury.

It does not appear at present that we have any appropriation out of which the dies and medals can be paid for. It may be found necessary to apply to Congress at the next Session; and in the meantime the work will be postponed.

Very respectfully,
Your Obed Servt
J. R. Poinsett

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna

Mint of the U. S.
Aug. 15. 1854.

Gentlemen,

In compliance with your request I send enclosed a Memorandum of the fineness & value of the Silver deposite made by you on the 12th inst.

Very resp'y,

R. M. Patterson,
per Geo. F. Deming
Assist. Clerk.

To/
Messrs. Cary & Co.
New York.

Mint of the U. S.
Aug. 14. 1843.

Sir,

In compliance with your request I send enclosed a Memorandum of the proceeds of the gold deposite made on the 10th inst. for your account, by Mr. Jas. J. Binford.

Very respy.
Your Obdt. Servt
P. M. P., Director,
per Geo. F. Downing,
Director's Clerk.

To
Wm P. Strother, Esq.
Cashr. Exchange Bank,
Richmond, Va

Mint of the United States
Aug. 11th, 1843.

Sir,

On your letter of the 19th ult., of which I have already had the honor to acknowledge the receipt, you notice the estimate which I had sent to you of the probable cost of executing four dies, for medals of Washington and the elder Adams, for the purpose of completing the Presidential Series. Of this estimate you remark "that it appears to be a moderate one if the dies be prepared without the artist, but that it was the intention both of the Secretary of the Treasury and ~~X~~ yourself that they could be executed by persons and machinery employed in the Mint, and that there would therefore be no further cost than that of the models, and purchase of the requisite materials."

business of

Permit me to observe that the making
of dies for medals and the striking of the
dies for medals is not prescribed by law as a function
of the Mint, or a duty of any of its
officers, and that it has never been heretofore so considered by either of the
Departments of War or of the Navy, for
which all the public medals have been
made. The numerous medals voted by
Congress to the officers distinguished in
the late war were not executed even under
the care of the Director, but were made
under contracts made by the Hon. Joseph
Hopkinson, who received a commission
on the money expended. It is true
that a part of the work was done at the
Mint, and by one of its officers, the
Chief Coiner; but the work was always looked
upon as extra-official, and he was
remunerated for it accordingly.

As to the medals now required,
however, and in regard to which the
Coiner and Engraver we feel joint obli-
gation to Mr. Spencer and yourself in your anxiety that
they should be executed, personal com-
pensation will not be required by
the Chief Coiner, who has authorizes me
to say that they shall be made at such
a cost as "barely to cover the expenses for
which he becomes responsible." How far
this may fall below the estimate pre-
sented, I cannot say at present; but even the whole amount of the estimate
is a very low one for the work to be done and the object in view.
Without the use of the machinery of the
Mint, the cost would be vastly greater.

P. M. P.

To
Hon. James A. Porter,
Sec. of War.

Respingt for medals

The Preservation and Lives is confided very properly to the Chief Porter and the Assistant But cannot be considered as exclusive of his official duties under the Law.

The Stocking of Medals has always been confided to the Chief Corier and the Assistant, for convenience and safe for private matter.

The Engraving of Medals has never been considered as official duty and the Engraver of the Mint. ~~the Chief Corier keeping them~~ The Director alone bears the Contract & agency as the Representative of the Dept of ~~the~~ War or Navy.

The assistant furnished by the Chief Corier, is made as handy to cover the expenses and labour for which he is employed. The advantage which the U.S derives from the use of its machinery employed in the operations is the great reduction in the cost of those expensive compliments or rewards — and this reduction cost grows out of the observation and skill of the present Chief Corier, ~~and necessarily connected with his~~ who Role from which the above operations have derived ready and important advantages.

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Taunton Aug.t 10. 1843

Ruel Pattison Esq.
Director.

Sir.

We have Shipped per Sch. Hornet - Master for your City - 100 kegs Soldiers - Marked & Numbered as Land B/Lading & Invoice which has sailed for

We also annex Bill of the Schooner amounting to $7.680. which we have accepted - & we will thank you to Ship the amount as heretofore by Canal laid to Newyork, in about equal amounts to Chest. A. & J. Willets & Brother. Lancaster & Battelle in Small Kegs -

Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours.

Very Respectfully
Crocker Bro.s & Co

New York 11th Aug 1843.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director U.S. Mint
Phila.

Sir,

Our present Respects will be handed to you by Wm. Sackett Fountain, one of our Clerks, to whom we have confided Five Boxes contain: 10 Part of Silver, valued at (in Chili) $19,416.37. We beg you to receive these for our Account, & furnish Mr. Fountain with a Memorandum of their Weight; and at your earliest Convenience after the Assay is completed, we shall be glad to receive your Certificate for the Amount.

We are Sir Very Respt
Yr Obedt Servts
Carvalho & Co

To Robert M Patterson Esqr Director of the U. S. Mint &c.

Vienna August 10th 1843.

Dear Sir,

Altho' I consider it a particular pleasure to write You yet till now I have been hindered from answering your esteemed Letters of 15th Augst 1842 and those of 25 Feb and 10th June 1843 by the peculiarity of my situation. I therefore beg leave to tender You my best thanks for the praiseworthy Manner You have attended to my Interest in my absence and I beg You also to present my best acknowledgements to the Coll Feldtraud &c Board for handing mentioned one &c honorably in the said Work, which is one of my Recommendations recommended in the Vienna Newspapers which I send herewith. My Recommendations agree with me that it is a pity that those learned Gentlemen have not profited of my Friend Dr. & Professor Endlicher's interesting Work on Chinese and Japanese Coins which I sent to your Philosophical Society, the receipt of which was acknowledged on the 4th Nov 1842 by Robert Vaughan as also by J. H. Keene. I valued my never to be forgotten worthy Correspondent John Vaughan Esqr to propose the Dr and Professor Stephan Endlicher as a Member of the Philosophical Society wherein he wrote me "Your Recommendation of Mr Endlicher will not be forgotten soon after which Death overtook him and thus I was deprived of an excellent Correspondent and I may say of a Friend. I future Dec A. R. great Loss for Your Society as well as for many Strangers by whose Complaisance every one felt his Debtor. I see by the same Letter that You was Vice President of the Philosophical Society and was by leave to entreat for my Friend Endlicher for whom I warrant You we have few such learned Men in Austria, he will certainly be an Ornament to your Society, You have our celebrated Orientalist Br. Hammer, and I can assure you that Dr Endlicher

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in his Branches of knowledge as Botany Philology and Bibliography is equal to Hammer. Professor Endlicher has scarcely finished his Gigantic work „ Generum plorum „ and has now ready for print a German Chinese Grammer, and a Manchou Dictionary under his pea his Maps of China from original Materials and hea „ de Ulpiani institutionum fragmento in Bibliotheca Vindobonensis „ are very interesting, indeed his depth of Learning is so profound that he might be of infinite Service and is consequently worthy of the highest commendation and should he be nominated, I would entreat You to send her Deploma to me, that I might have the pleasure of making him an agreeable surprise.

Thanks for the Medals of Pr. Tyler which you were so kind to send, and should opportunity ever offer you goodness to send me also a few Medals of American Presidents as I have not viz. Washington, John Adams, Madison Monroe, Van Buren, Harrison, but particularly of my honored Fr. Jackson, who suffered the Aliens to enjoy equal part in the free Institutions. Are there no Medals of distinguished persons previous of the Constitution, such as John Hancock & others?

If Gold coins with new stamps should appear as I beg You to provide me with a 5 $ piece (half an Eagle). On this occasion allow me to observe that according to the european Art of Heraldry we should not think it an easy matter to cast Arms so off and so different and which thereby becomes more a Drawing. According to our Idea the Arms are correct as they appear on the Dollard from 1797 to 1807, and perhaps still better if like the great Seal of State by which mine is made as you see hereon — we are so exact in Heraldry that for Example it is not indifferent whether the Arrows are on the right or left side of the Eagle, and equally so as to the position of the Eagle. //

North american Coins interest me the most, particularly such as were cast before the Organization of the U. S. Mint, such as Continental Currency Dollar of 1776 and which I beg to reserve for me should such come in your way. Do you meet with Coins of Lord Baltimore? I have only one XII and one VII pence and even these are much worn. Of Massachusetts 1652 I have XII VI III and II penny pieces. A piece would be welcome of „ Templeton Reid Assayer „ a Georgia Gold if possible a 2½ $ or less piece. Of Mr. Bechtler I have a 1 $ in Gold. Such Coins as appear very seldom or only for a short time are particularly interesting for a Collector.

I have plenty of the most usual Coins of South America but few of the rare ones.

My Compatriot M. Löwenstern's work „ Les Etats Unis &c. Paris 1842 „ afforded me the pleasure of reading the following remark relative to you: „ parlant de la Monnaie de Phila. & Dr. Patterson qui en est le directeur homme aussi distingué par son instruction que par son affabilité, et avec lequel j'ai été perfectly convinced.

In regard to your two letters of 10 Sept and 8 Feb. I can only tell you that Mr. William as well as Mr. Richard Norris, as also all other Friends you please to recommend shall met with every attention in my power. And I thank you for affording the opportunity of making the Acquaintance with these Gentlemen and hope to have shown myself worthy of their goodwill and I even hope soon to receive Your Visit, we would certainly endeavour to indemnify you for the Loss of Time.

Regarding the three Catalogues of the Coin Auction by Bechtfeld Sendner and Traunfeller might be of some Interest I send you them. By the next opportunity I will send you the 2nd part of Bechtfeld's and another sold this year. It is true so many Coin auctions seldom take place in so short a time here. //

I am much obliged for the Medal of President Tyler which I hope soon to receive; but any expence attending it please carry to my Account. Short reckenings makes long Friends.

I should be very glad if you could procure me the Document N°246 of Congress of 1842 it contains the Correspondence of our former Ambassador Genl Muhlenberg. — All written or printed Papers from America relative to Austria are interesting to me

I now enter upon a reply to your last Favor of the 10th June which is properly the chief cause of the present Letter. I perceive with pleasure you intend making a Collection of Roman and Greek Coins but with permission I will impart my humble Ideas relative thereto. The plan you mention seems too insignificant for a public Institution to answer the expectations which the Science calls for in our Days, it must be connected and yet at least as often found with private Persons in Europe, as time will convince yourself has unpleasant it is to be continually adding to their encrease, especially in America where the opportunity is not the best, I would therefore feigne recommend you rather to buy a decent Lille privat Collection and so to increase it when convenient. I have really accidentally found such a Collection of Greek and Roman Coins which my Acquaintance who will sell the same owing to the old and modern Coins being too expensive, he will confine himself to the modern ones. — Herewith you receive a Catalogue by which you see that the Collection consists of 80 Pieces of Gold Coins weighing 122 1/8 Ducats, then 622 Silver pieces and 300 Copper pieces, the whole Collection cost him 1826 fl. 58 x Ctz among which are many which he exchanged and paid on and so improved his Collection, in Consideration of all which he adds the small sum of 373 fl 5 x and thus he asks for the fine Collection 2200 Austrian silver florins, circa 1056 £.

According to it's not the great Coins Collection is not worth

I can assure you

1st That the Collection contains wonderful fine Exemplars and surpassing the most I have seen mostly fine chosen

2d Impressions and many very rare

all tastes Stated as genuine and really

for as you double Ducats at Mr. Becker's Berlin, han or gained and Coin Dealer in

rarest Coins are made and so that only

Coins of Connoisseurs are able to distinguish them

this Collection are some of Becker's but

dealers as such.

3d I can give you that the Seller

does not carry on any usual Trade therewith he

has been collecting during the last 20 Years and

really spared no trouble to bring it to present

perfection

If you buy the Collection then you will thank me and I

speak from flattery as I believe that I have done a deal of

service to the Collector and to the purchaser supposing he be

had for the second sum if double and in a very favorable Case

either he pay double to get it at cost price of 1826 fl. 58 x

but of which I have some doubts first because the

Proprietor is not a ready man and secondly as he is of

opinion he could get more for it if sold singly especially

as there are so many gulden and 3 Kreuzer pieces which are like

and 20 x Copper Coins. If you should really resolve

on buying I don't mention any thing of the 3 Kreuzer kind

or he will surely not abstain from Exports and therefore

only as it is so that I can show him your Letter

and decide according to your own Judgement.

You can go scrupulously over the Catalogue

The 1st Arabic in the Catalogue designates the Number

of the drawer in the Chest the 2d Arabic the following

Numbers of the Coin. — Then the name of the Town or

Emperor and year, with an observation whether it is
by Becker [illegible] then a Rubric whether Gold Silver
or Copper a Rubric of the Valuation according to
the one last passed, then the Price paid by the Proprietor
and from my knowledge of him I believe to be as true
as if it was of yourself — there are many of the Coins
which you desire to know and as to the precise ones
among the Varieties I will take care to get them of
the Coin Dealers here, or if there is time I will see to
get them in an Auction. No 2 of Constantinus II with
Hoc Signo Victor Eris I don't even find in Nionet.
Cabinet and genuine is very rare and dear — Should you
wish of Beckers in cases where the genuine ones are
so dear only please command me.
For more exact Information of all such Coins you
would do well to procure one or more Catalogues
The Gentleman who has the Collection for Sale will
also sell the 4 best works relative thereto, as you
will see by the Title Page hereunto. I suppose
Mr. E Bosch is of German Origin and can therefore
translate all correctly. In case you purchase the
Collection in question, the best means of
Payment would be by remitting me a Draft on Boston
the Coins should be well packed and each have its
Label and I believe to be sent to our Ambassadors in
London or Paris to whom you are ordered to give Instructions
to send them on, as neither the Hon. the Governor nor the
Secretary Mr. Clay are here at the latter expect to Philadelphia.
I now close with your Reply and expect the right System with
which I subscribe myself

Your Friend and Servant

[illegible] the Goodness to forward
[illegible] Letter for Copland to Liverpool and the
other for Mr. Page to be delivered by a Servant personally.

New York Aug 8th 1843

R M Patterson Esq
Director of U S Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

We have this day forwarded to your address by "Harndon Express" Two packages as follows Viz".

One package
Mk. [S] #1. } Containing Six Bars Silver

& One package
Mk. [G] #2 - Containing - 3 Seperate Lots of Gold Dust
Viz 2 Small Bags Mk. N #1 & 2 Gold Dust
1 — package [C] #3 do do
1 - Bag — HB #4 do do

We will be obliged by your having these three Lots of Gold Dust Kept Seperate from each other so that we may have a Certificate of the Weight & Value of each Mark — Please forward us a "Return" by Mail as soon as the Value is ascertained and have the same Converted into Coin

We Remain Very Respectfully
Your Obt Svts Thos H Pattillo

New York 7th August 1843

R M Patterson Esqr
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

Herewith I enclose you a receipt of Hayden & Co for $1500 of small for a bag of gold dust of excellent quality, direct R to your care & instruct him of you to have it coined & obtain the proceeds to the same exchange in American gold. The cost in South America. $800.

Yours &c &c

J. C. Dominguez

From Sec. of Treasury.

Rec'd Aug. 10. 1843.

August 1843

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

July 31, 1843.

Regulations respecting the transfer of certificates of stock issued for any loan made in behalf of the United States, the payment of interest thereon, and the supplying lost certificates.

All the certificates of stock issued by the United States are signed by the Secretary of the Treasury, and countersigned by the Register. They can be issued only upon the written order of the Secretary. A description of the existing loans, and of the denominations of the certificates issued for them, is appended to these regulations. In the certificates of the loan of 1843, there is a water mark [U. States] in the paper, the amounts are expressed in large figures in red on both sides, and all the skill and taste which the engraver's art could furnish have been expended in securing them against fraud. No certificates of this loan have been or will be issued, without the amount being thus expressed by engraving in the body and in the margin of the certificates, and by the large figures in red.

In regard to other loans, measures have been taken to call in all the certificates for sums above two hundred dollars, in which the amount is expressed *in writing*, with the view of having no certificates of that description in circulation, except such as are for sums between one hundred dollars and two hundred dollars. No transfer will be sanctioned for any fractional part of one hundred dollars of any loan, except of the loans made before 1843, where the certificate was originally issued for such fraction.

I. All transfers of stock must be made on the books of the Treasury in the Register's office, and none can be made of the loans upon which interest is payable semi-annually, within thirty days before the first day of January and the first day of July, nor of the loan upon which interest is payable quarterly, within fifteen days of the first days of January, April, July, and October.

II. The certificate to be transferred, or any part of which is to be transferred, must be produced at the office of the Register of the Treasury, in order that the same may be cancelled, and that such new certificates may be issued, as the case may require. As no certificate can, in any case, be issued for less than one hundred dollars, parties should divide their stock accordingly.

III. The party, in whose favor a certificate was issued, may appear in person at the Register's office, and there execute an assignment of the certificate, or any portion of the amount for which it was issued, with directions to transfer the same to the assignee.

IV. The following form of a transfer is recommended: "For value received, do hereby assign unto a certificate of stock in the loan of 1842, [as the case may be,] issued by the Treasury of the United States, dated for dollars, originally redeemable at the expiration of years, and numbered ; and do hereby authorize the Register of the Treasury to transfer the said stock on the books of the Treasury accordingly.

"Dated ."

Where it is intended to transfer a portion only of any certificate, the assignment will vary accordingly, by saying, "one thousand dollars, (or whatever may be the portion assigned,) part of a certificate of stock in the loan, &c." and authorizing the Register to transfer "one thousand dollars of the said stock, &c."

When a certificate is to be divided among several, the assignment will name them, and the respective portions to be transferred to each.

When a portion of a certificate is left without being assigned, a new one will be issued for the part so reserved to the owner thereof. It is desirable that the assignment should, in all cases, be written upon the certificate.

It is to be signed by the person whose name is in the certificate as the payee; if it be the name of a firm, then by one of such firm in its name; and if there be several persons, then by all of them, except in cases of trustees, executors, &c., when by law any one has the authority to dispose of such property.

[In the certificates of the loan of 1843, an assignment is engraved at the end of each, and is to be filled up whenever such certificate is intended to be transferred to another. As it will be cut off upon the transfer being completed at the Treasury, the fact of its being separated from the body of the certificate will be evidence that the same has been assigned, and is no longer a valid security.]

V. When the assignment is not made at the Treasury, it should be executed in the presence of the President or Cashier of any institution which has been designated as a depository of the Treasury, who will endorse on, or annex to, such assignment a certificate that it was executed in his presence, and that he knows, or has satisfactory evidence that such assignment was made by the person who by the preceding regulation was authorized to make the same. Or such assignment may be executed in the presence of a Judge of the United States, or of the Supreme, Superior, or Circuit Court of any State, or of a notary public, who must in like manner certify to the execution and to the identity of the party. When certified by a notary public, it must be under his seal of office.

It is desirable that these certificates should be written upon the loan certificate.

When such party is not personally known to the officer, an affidavit of his identity, taken before any officer competent to administer oaths, may be received.

VI. The party entitled to assign a certificate may constitute an attorney for that purpose, by a power, which must be executed before some officer or person, before whom the assignment might be executed by the preceding regulation, and who must in like manner certify to the identity of the party executing such power. The assignment may then be executed by such attorney in the same manner as above provided in respect to the constituent, and a like certificate of the identity of the attorney must be given.

VII. When the assignment is executed at any other place than the Treasury, it may be left, with the certificate, in the hands of the President or Cashier of a depository of the Treasury, to be transmitted to the Register, for the purpose of having the transfer completed on the books. The new certificates will be returned to the officer who forwarded the assignment, by mail, to be delivered to the assignee.

VIII. The assignee will in all cases designate on the certificate to be assigned, or in a separate communication, the depository of the Treasury at which he desires to have the interest paid. The depositories selected for that purpose at this time are at Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington City.

IX. In case of the decease of a stockholder, a transfer of his stock must be made either by his executor or administrator, or by the person to whom such stock has been devised, or who, by the laws of the country in which the stockholder resided at the time of his death, has succeeded to the ownership thereof, or who, under such laws, has the right to take possession of such stock.

X. In case the stockholder, at the time of his death, was a resident of the United States, his executor or administrator must produce an exemplified copy of the letters of administration or letters testamentary, or a certificate of the fact of such letters having been issued, by the officer from whose office the same were granted, under his hand and seal, if there be a seal, accompanied by a certificate of the Governor of such State, under its seal, that the certificate or certified copy is given by the proper officer, and is in due form. If the applicant claims the stock as devisee, or as having succeeded to the rights of the holder, he must produce the decision of some competent tribunal to that effect, duly exemplified, and accompanied by the certificate of the Governor of such State, under its seal, that the decree or judgment was rendered by the proper tribunal, and that the copy is certified by the proper officer, and is in due form. But

a transfer cannot be made in the cases specified in this regulation without the special direction of the Secretary of the Treasury.

XI. In case the stockholder, at the time of his death, was a resident of any foreign country, the person claiming the right to direct the transfer of such stock, must produce the evidence of such right, as follows:

1. If he claims as executor or administrator, or as having been appointed to take charge of the personal estate of such deceased stockholder, he must produce a copy of the instrument giving him such authority, duly exemplified, or having a probate act or certificate endorsed thereon of the proper officers, setting forth that such instrument had been duly proved, specifying the court in which, and the day when, such proof was made, and duly exemplified under the hand and seal (if there be one) of the officers from whose office the original was issued, accompanied by a certificate of a consular agent of the United States in such country, or if there be none, of a notary public, to the effect that the officer granting such authority had jurisdiction of the subject by the laws of such country, and that the exemplified copy is by the proper officer, and in due form.

2. If the claim be on the ground that the stock has been devised to the applicant, or that he has succeeded as a relative to the rights of any deceased person in any certificate of stock, a decision of the competent tribunal of the country establishing the right of such applicant must be produced, duly exemplified or authenticated under its seal, (if it have one,) and by the signatures of its officers, and accompanied by the certificate of some officer enumerated in the preceding paragraph, to the effect that such decision was pronounced by a tribunal which, at the time, by the laws of the country, had jurisdiction of the subject and authority to make such decision, and that the copy of the decree or judgment of such tribunal is duly authenticated by the proper officers. But a transfer cannot be made in any case specified in this regulation without the special direction of the Secretary of the Treasury.

XII. No charge is made for effecting the transfer of any stock. The only expenses are those incurred in authenticating the necessary papers previous to their presentation.

XIII. The new certificate issued upon a transfer of stock on which the interest is payable quarterly, will bear interest from the first day of the quarter, and when it is payable semi-annually, from the first day of the half year, in which such transfer is made, and interest will be paid to the assignee for the whole of that quarter or half year. If any interest has accrued prior to the first day of such quarter or half year, it will be paid only to the person who was the holder of the stock at the time such interest accrued, or to his order.

XIV. The interest on all certificates of stock issued for any loan made in behalf of the United States, will be paid in specie or its equivalent, at the depository of the Treasury designated for that purpose, unless otherwise requested in writing thirty days before such interest is payable.

XV. To obtain the payment of interest, it will not be necessary to produce the certificate of stock, unless required by the depository by which such interest is to be paid, in order to relieve it from any doubt of the identity of the party applying.

XVI. Interest will be paid to the person entitled to receive it on his signing a receipt therefor, or on his order or letter of attorney acknowledged or proved in the same manner and before one of the officers authorized to certify to the execution of an assignment of stock, specified in regulation V.

The preceding regulations relate to certificates of stock transferrable on the books of the Treasury.

XVII. The certificates to which coupons are attached being transferrable by "endorsement and delivery," a blank endorsement by the payee, will be regarded as valid in the hands of any person presenting the certificate. Parties desirous of avoiding accidents that may arise from that cause, can do so by taking special endorsements.

XVIII. The coupons for interest will be paid at any of the depositories specified in the preceding regulation No. VIII on presentation, and will be by them cancelled and transmitted to the depository in the city of Washington for final adjustment. Statements of the coupons to be paid will be furnished to all the depositories in due season before they become payable.

XIX. All applications made to the Treasury for renewal of certificates of stock lost or destroyed, must be accompanied by the following documents:

1. A statement, on oath or affirmation, by the applicant, showing the time, place, and all other circumstances attending the loss or destruction of the certificate, with its number, date, amount, the rate of interest it bears; the time to which interest, if any, has been paid; in whose favor it was issued; when made payable; together with every other particular relating to it, within the knowledge of the applicant.

2. An instrument in writing, to be signed by the applicant, with two sureties, reciting the particulars hereinbefore specified, by which such applicant and his sureties shall jointly and severally agree to pay to any person, who may establish a valid claim to the certificate, so alleged to have been lost or destroyed, the full value thereof on demand, with interest until paid; and also to pay to the United States any sum which shall appear to have been erroneously paid to such claimant, pursuant to the said application, with interest until paid. Such instrument is to be executed in the presence of a Judge or District Attorney of the United States, or a Judge of a Supreme or Superior Court of any State, by whom the sufficiency of the sureties, in double the amount claimed, must be certified.

3. A copy of a public advertisement of the loss or destruction of a certificate, made by the party in a newspaper published at or near the place, of such loss or destruction, accompanied by the affidavit of the printer or publisher of the same, that the said advertisement had been inserted in the said paper for six consecutive weeks.

J. C. SPENCER,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Statement showing the amounts, dates of redemption, and denominations of certificates of the United States loans.

Amount of loan.	When approved.	When redeemable.	Denominations of certificates.
$5,073,076 00	July 1, 1841	31st Dec., 1844	100, 500, 1,000, 5,000, 50,000.
8,343,886 03	April 15, 1842	31st Dec., 1862	100, 500, 1,000, 5,000, 10,000.
"	"	"	1,000, 3,000, 5,000, with coupons.
7,000,000 00	March 3, 1843	1st July, 1853	100, 500, 1,000, 3,000, 5,000, 10,000.
"	"	"	1,000, 3,000, 5,000, with coupons.

There are also certificates in blank attached to the loans expiring in 1844 and 1862.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, REGISTER'S OFFICE, *August* 1, 1843.

THOMAS L. SMITH, *Register.*

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, Sept. 30, 1843.

Sir,

I herewith forward you the Quarterly Statement ending this day, as a Depositary of the public money.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.

(Signed)
Dan'l Rad.
Treasurer

Hon. Wm. Selden, Esq.
Treasurer of the U. States
Washington

Branch Bank of Fay
Raleigh N.C. Sept 27 43

Dear Sir,

I received last evening your
of the 25th inst in reply to mine of the
21st inst & am very much obliged to
you for the explicitness of your reply —
& I write again merely to say that
the Bar Gold which you put down as
Georgia — came from the Chestham &
Moore County Mines in this State

With much Respect
Yr very Obt Servt

J. W. Stone

Dr R de Patterson
U.S. Mint
Phila

Newport Sept 28 1843

Dr Sir

We received yours
letter of 27th Sept 5 for
which Please accept
our thanks -

We are very respectfully

Your Obed nts

Robert Parker

R M Patterson Esq
Ch Mint
Phila

R M Patterson Esqr

Mint of the United States.
Sept. 27, 1843.

Gen. Clement,

In reply to the inquiry made by you, respecting the extraordinary loss of weight which occurred on melting the deposite of platacpine made by you on the 19th inst., I beg to state that the most careful examinations were made at the time, to ascertain whether the whole of the silver had been collected, and that they result in a conviction that the melting had been conducted carefully and faithfully, and that the loss, great as it is, did really occur.

You are aware that this sponge silver is often loaded with water, although the outside may appear dry. By referring to the "Manual of Coins", page 162, you will see that the water

which platosperma is capable of absorbing may amount to 11, 15, and even 20 per cent. of the weight of the metals. It is probable that this may have been the source of at least a part of your loss; but I cannot assert any thing with certainty as to the matter, for the deposite, though seen by one of our Assayers, was not inspected.

Very respectfully,
Your Faithful Servant,
R. M. Patterson.

To
Messrs. Bebee & Marshall,
New York.

Another frequent cause of loss is that the mercury used in amalgamating the silver is not all driven off from the platosperma. When this is the case, the mercury is all evaporated on the melting of the silver, and a considerable reduction of weight may ensue.

In consequence of these sources of deception a great loss on melting frequently occurs at the Mint. What have been the causes of your loss, Messrs, I cannot pretend to say with any certainty; for your deposite, though seen by one of our Assayers, was not inspected.

R. M. P.

Messrs. Bebee & Marshall.

MEMORANDUM OF GOLD BULLION, deposited, the 10th day of July 1843, at the **Mint of the United States,** at *Philadelphia,* by J. J. Risk Cash. of Weight and Value, as follows:

	WEIGHT.				Fineness.	VALUE.		ADDITION.				DEDUCTION. For alloy.		NET VALUE.	
	Before Melting.		After Melting.					Silver Extracted.		Value of Silver.					
	Ounces.	Dec.	Ounces.	Dec.	000th's.	Dollars.	Cents.	Ounces.	Dec.	Dollars.	Cents.	Dollars.	Cents.	Dollars.	Cents.
Dust	61	34	58	88	981	1,194	03	—				—	79	1,193	24

The above is a true and particular Statement of a deposite made at the Mint.

61.34
58.88
2.46 Loss 4%

For Treasurer of the Mint.

MEMORANDUM OF GOLD BULLION, deposited the 14th day of Augt 184 3 at the Mint of the United States, at Philadelphia, by P. J. Fisk, Cash. of Weight and Value, as follows:

WEIGHT. Before Melting. Ounces.	Dwts.	After Melting. Ounces.	Dwts.	Fineness. Thousandths.	VALUE. Dollars.	Cents.	ADDITION. Silver Extracted. Ounces.	Dwts.	Value of Silver. Dollars.	Cents.	DEDUCTION. For alloy. Dollars.	Cents.	NET VALUE. Dollars.	Cents.
Dust 66	80	63	05	982½	1,280	56	—	—	—	—	—	77	1,279	57

The above is a true and particular Statement of a deposite made at the Mint.

66.80
63.05
3.75 Costs 5 5/8 %

For Treasurer of the Mint.

Mint of the U.S.
Sept 27. 1843.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 21st. instant, I have to state that your difficulty regarding the deposites made by Mr. Feist, arises from you estimating the value per lb. from the weight before melting, instead of the weight after melting. The deposite made on the 14th. of Aug. lost 5 7/8 per cent in melting; that made on the 10th of July only 4 per cent. The Calla yielded 58.88 oz. 981 ~~lbs~~ fine, and produced $1,193.24, or 101.33 cts per dwt. The Forma yielded 63.05 oz. 982/1000 ~~lbs~~ fine, and produced $ 1,279.57, or 101.47 cts per dwt. So that the paradox of the greate fineness yielding the less value does not occur

Very Respt.
Your Obt. Servt.

F. G. Platt Esq.
Macon, Geo.

(Copy) Mint of the United States,
Sept. 25. 1840.

Sir,

Your letter introducing Mr. Graeme with another from himself, came to me, from New York, this morning, he having been compelled, as he states, to pass through Philadelphia without stopping.

The dies for Jenk Graeme Medal were cut in Paris, and were never sent to this Country; it is indeed probable that they are lost. Our Copies have therefore been made, by the electrotype process, and one of these, prepared by Mr. Peale, I send to day for Mr. Graeme's acceptance.

Very respectfully,
Your Fellow Servant
R. M. Patterson

Hon. John C. Spencer.

Mint of the United States.
Sept. 25, 1845.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st inst., enclosing a deposite of gold made for you by Messrs. Becka & Parkhill. In reply, I have the pleasure to state that your conscience may be at rest, as to the amount which you have received from us for this gold. Our books show that it was not from your own State but from Georgia, where we often get deposites of as great fineness.

At page 216 of the Manual of Coins, you will find a table, marked C, which will solve the problem you have proposed, with sufficient accuracy. At the Mint, we use the following rule.

~~The following rule~~

Multiply the weight of the gold by its fineness in thousandths, and the product will be the fine gold which it contains. Then multiply this fine gold by the Standard weight of the Standard gold which it will make. Multiply this Standard weight (in ounces) by 900, and divide the product

by 43, and the result will be the value in dollars. Or, if the weight be in penny weights, multiply by 40 and divide by 43.

Thus, in your deposite, the weight was 14.10 ℈., and the fineness .975. The following is the operation for finding the value.

14.1 = gross weight
.975 = fineness

705
987
1269
9 4 | 13.7475 = weight of fine gold.
15.275 = weight of Standard gold.

800
43 | 12220.000 (284.18 dolls = value;
86 exclusive of Mint charges
362 for alloy ~~included~~ used.
344
180
172
80
43
370
344

Very respectfully
and truly yours,
R. M. Patterson.

To
R. W. Stone, Esq.
Cash. Br. Bk. Cape Fear,
Raleigh, N. C.

New York 22. Sept 1843

Dear Sir

I had promised myself the pleasure of handing you in person the enclosed letters, but my hurried visit to the U.S. leaves me so little time that I am compelled to drop this you without stopping.

If it be not trespassing too far I would thank you to have a copy of my Grandfather's medal prepared & sent to the care of A. Richards 64 White St. New York. informing me at the same time what the expence will be & to whom I am to remit. Should I visit Philadelphia again, I trust that you will allow me to refer to the letter of Mr Spencer as an authorisation for calling on you in person.

I am very Truly

Your obt. Servt

Ler Wreane

Dr. B. H. Bulkley

&c &c

Dear Sir,

Can you let me know, by this board, what this Bounty cause will come on to-morrow?

Very truly Yours.

R. M. Patterson.

Sept. 21/43.

Henry M. Watts, Esq.

Dear Sir.

It has gone over to the next Term this time I write to inform you

Yours truly

H. M. Watts

Dr Patterson.

21 Sept 43

Washington Sept 21. 1843.

Dear Sir

I beg to introduce to you George W. Greene Esq American Consul at Rome, and a grandson of Gen. Nathaniel Greene. He is desirous of obtaining a copy of the medal voted by Congress to his Grandfather, which you will much oblige me by furnishing to him.

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt
J. C. Spencer

Dr R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint

Improvement in Bechtler's coinage recent issues.

One parcel, by count $525, yields $523.44 – less than $\frac{1}{10}$ of one per cent. discount.

Another parcel, counting 243.50, yields 243.14 – $\frac{1}{7}$ of one per cent.

Up to the time of the publication of the Manual of Coins, the average deficiency was 3 per cent.

The Assayer upon, to-day, an improvement in the recent issues of Bechtler's coins.

One parcel, by count $525, yielded $523.14; – less than $\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. discount.

Another parcel, by count $243.50, yielded $243.14 : $\frac{1}{7}$th per cent. discount.

Up to the time of the publication of the Manual of Coins, the average deficiency was 3 per cent.

Sept. 21, 1843.

Agency Mr + F Ind Bank
Macon Geo Sept. 21st 1843

Gen'l Edmonds Esq.
Treasurer &c
Sir

I have sent S I Fitch Esq Cash: two or three packages of Land Patents, for which I have received Your Certificates from him, The object of this, is to procure from You if possible, an explanation of a seeming discrepancy in two of these certificates, which I wish to explain to those from whom I received the Land.—

On the Certificate dated 10th July I find the amt. allowed for the land (in bullion) sold at about 97 cts per dwt — its fineness is put down at $\frac{1911.0}{981}$ — On the Certificate dated 14th Sept. the amt. credited sold at about 95 cts per dwt and it seems to be finer than the other by $\frac{1000}{982\frac{1}{2}}$.—

There is doubtless some reason for this discrepancy, but I cannot explain it, I have thought best to write direct to You to save Mr Fitch the trouble.

Yours Truly

A. G. Flint
agt

Branch Bank of C Fear
Raleigh N.C. Sept 21st 1813

Dear Sir,

On the 6th inst. I was in the Bank & got shown Bolas & Parmlee ~~Lyon~~ to favor him a small parcel of Gold in Bars & Dust Stuck (Mint antipeculation)
& Lump - & in the settlement for the Bar Gold it was made to weigh Ounces 14.$\frac{10}{20}$ equal to £82 3105 which at .975 fineness is carried out $284.$\frac{18}{100}$ as this makes the Gold worth more than 100 $ to the penny weight - I think there must have been an error made in the estimate & the mark has been observed - if it had been too little I should have asked your attention to it - & believing you have observed the mark I feel equally bound to do so - & being willing to do what is right in the business I beg to call your attention to it - & will be glad to hear from you at your earliest convenience on the subject.
I should be glad to know how the value is ascertained when the fineness is given e.g.
If a Bar or Dust weigh $10.\overset{Dr.}{50}$ dis .900 $\overset{fine}{}$ what would the value & if .850 fine what would be the
- value

value — if it is not asking too much
you will oblige me by putting down the
process of working it out in full. —
I have examined the manual by
Lieuts Eakfeldt & Du Bois (Smith I bet me
Aint last Light.) but cant learn from
them the process of calculation — & should
be much gratified to learn it —

With much Respect
Your Obt & Humble Servt
D. H. Todd

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director Mint
Philadelphia

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

20 Sept 1843.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive One Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WM. SELDEN,

Treasurer of the United States.

Isaac Roach Esqr

Mint of the U. S.
Sept. 18. 1843.

Sir, I have the honor to request that you will issue your warrant, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for Six thousand eight hundred dollars, out of the appropriation for the current year: viz.

For Salaries of Officers & Clerks, $4,800.
For Wages of workmen, 2,000
$6,800

R. M. P.

To Hon. John C. Spencer, Sec. of Treasury.

New York. September 15th 1843

Dear Sir.

Your kind note of the 8th inst came to hand last evening. I have been anxiously looking for letters from New Orleans, but expected they would be sent direct to Spring-field. and I remained there several days longer than I intended, on that account.

We expect to be in Philadelphia tomorrow afternoon. and if you still have the letters for me. I beg you will leave them so that I can get them after business hours. – or if you can conveniently send them to Mrs Tyler it will oblige me very much.

Yours very Sincerely

P. B. Tyler

To/ Dr R. M. Patterson.

Shawmut Bank
Boston Septem.r 15. 1843

Isaac Roach Esq.
Treas.r of the Mint
Philadelphia,

Sir

The bearer of this will bring to the mint, in Gold coins 2710 pennyweights, worth at the lowest standard Twenty four hundred & thirty six & 29/100 Dollars for recoinage into Eagles.

He will alsо bring five Packages containing in all, Five thousand one hundred & ninety six Dollars in Silver Coins for recoinage, 3000 into quarter dollars & the balance into dimes.

Please make a memo. on the receipt, of the time when I may send for the new coin.

2086.29
2059.75
26 54

Ryan Ov. Sec.
T. Drown
Cash

Duplicate

Shawmut Bank
Boston Septem. 15. 1843

Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia
Sir

The bearer of this will bring to the mint in Gold Coins 2710 pennyweights, worth at the lowest Standard Twenty four hundred & thirty six & 29/100 Dollars for recoinage into Eagles,

He will also bring five packages, containing in all, Five thousand one hundred & ninety six Dollars in Silver coins for recoinage 3000 into quarter dollars & the balance into dimes.

Please make a memt. on the receipt, of the time when I may send for the new coin.

Your obt. Servt.
T. Brown
Cash

Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office
September 13th 1843.

Sir,

Your Accounts of Copper Coinage, for the 2d quarter of 1843, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 4392.30 stated to be due from you to the U. States.

Your accounts of the Ordinary Expenses of the Mint, for the 1st quarter of 1843, were adjusted on the 26th of July last, and a balance of $ 12.852.84 stated to be due from you to the U. States.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Sv.

J. M. Wilcox
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia.

Springfield Sept 11th 1848

Dear Sir

I have just Rec'd Yours of the 8th
Philos B Tyler left here, a week Since
for Rhinebeck Con, and Requested me to Send
this letter to Philadelphia after 6 day
he will probably be there by the time you get
this I expect a line from him tomorrow
and if he Should alter his plans I will
inform you immediately

Very Respectfully Yours

To R. M. Patterson Nelson. Tyler

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Register's Office,

September 1st 1843.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the usual Estimates for the ending 30. June
year 1845, may be prepared and transmitted to this office, as early as convenient, for the purpose of being laid (by the Secretary of the Treasury) before Congress at the ensuing session.

I have the honor to be, sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Register.

Estimate
For Half year ending 31. Dec. 1844
Do " 30. June 1845.

Senate of the United States.
Sept. 9th, 1843.

Dear Sir,

I am sorry to interrupt your family party, by depriving you of your company; but I am under the necessity of asking for your immediate return. — Mr. Benzet's friend comes on next week, — you are desired as a witness, — and therefore your presence at the Court is very important, because Mr. Edelman & myself must be constantly at Court.

If Mr. Dunning is not ready to come with you, you can return for him.

Yours,

P. M. C.

Genl F. Dunning Esq.

Philada. Octr. 30. 1843

Dear Sir,

Your valuable letter of the 10th August, together with accompanying papers, was received a few days since, and I am sorry that I have not at hand much cables, except for the course of the Consul at Hawre, which is entirely inexplicable. I hasten to reply to the principal points in your letter.

The collection of antique coins, which you offer, and of which you forward a copious and satisfactory list, is in many respects desirable and desirable but, as you are aware, requires a much larger outlay than I intended. But when I consider the advantages, which accompany this offer; that the coins have been culled and collected by a skilful hand; that they are offered not by an artful dealer, but by a conscientious amateur, whose good faith, both as to genuineness and price, is endorsed by one in whom I have every confidence, I feel tempted to go beyond the limit which I have marked out, and request you to procure the collection, provided it can be had for the sum of One thousand dollars of the United States, or say a bill of Exchange on London for £207 Sterling. I am unwilling to go beyond this sum. Should the gentleman see fit to accept it, I hope the coins will be properly labelled and securely packed; and they may be sent as soon as practicable.

Presuming that my offer may be accepted, I shall by the same Steamship which is to carry this, address a letter to the Hon. Henry

Ledyard, Chargé d'Affaires of the U.S. at Paris, who is said to be very obliging and attentive, may ask him to take charge of such package as you may send to him for me. I hope you will learn the means of sending the parcel safely to him, and that it may not require to be opened on the way. I think this is the best method, because there is an established agency between Paris & Philadelphia, of direct and rapid transportation. — For the cases the coins are to be sent, I will thank you to give me some previous notice, and to forward such papers as will enable me to effect a good and lawful clearance in this city, to the amount of the purchase money and incidental expenses; if you write to the care of Hamden & Co. Liverpool, to come by Steamship from Liverpool on the 4th or 19th of any month, and to be consigned by Steamship from Liverpool on the 4th of the month, it will arrive more quickly than by Packet. Will you please to pay the expenses that may be necessary (including postage) and inform me of the amount, that I may increase the bill on London by that much.

I have a package for you, which I am preparing by the Steamer for Boston, at the same time with this letter, if possible. It will be sent to the care of Mr Ledyard, and if it reaches you safely, will be some test of the propriety of sending the package of coins by the same method. The package to be sent to you contains a Diploma for Dr. Endlicher, who was elected in April 1842, — the Diploma not having been earlier sent, for want of direct conveyance to your city; also a pamphlet for the same gentleman, and one for yourself, from the Society; also four bronzed medals, of Presidents Madison, Monroe, Jackson & Van Buren, which you are please to accept. — (There are no Presidential medals of Washington, John Adams or Harrison, and I believe you have those of Jefferson, J.Q. Adams & Tyler) Lastly the package contains a 2½ gold piece of T. Reid, Chesapeake, worth $2.50, which I assume you is extremely rare, even in this country; it came into my hands very unexpectedly, two days ago. Please to deduct this from the expenses you write I have to pay on my account. Also, charge me with any expenses incurred by receiving this package. — I am informed that the Phil. Society has a similar pamphlet for Baron de Hamme, which I would gladly have an opportunity for transmission.

Messrs. Cist, Felt and DuBois express their cordial thanks, both to yourself, and the accomplished author of the articles in the Union Gazette, for so flattering a notice of their work. They regret not having seen the work of Dr. Endlicher.

There is no alteration in the device of U.S. Coins in the present year. Your views upon the "heraldic eagle" have occurred to my own mind. I know of no "Constitutional Currency Dollar of 1776" — and have no pieces of Lord Baltimore. I have not yet been informed before of Becker's Mint for antiques. Are there merely made copies or imitations, or is there any attempt to pass them off as genuine? — Some account of this coining and I think dangerous manufacture, would be interesting. —

I should also like to know, if such statistics are easily within your power, to what extent the principal Cabinets of antique coins, in Europe have been carried, & as to the number and values of their stores, that is, the sum total of any given Collection; and if you have or can, or make, any probable Estimate of the number and market value of ancient coins, Hoards up in Museums, pray enlighten me. Such facts are curious, especially in our new country. Hope to hear from you soon. I am most truly

Your faithful friend

I think it only just that your friends should warrant the delivery of the coins to the Minister at Paris; from that place I intend to insure. — Could we possibly hear from you by the Liverpool steamer of December 11th?

N.B. The letter to Mr. Coggeshall was sent by post. — After much enquiry, I found nothing of the Pole Post, nor does any one residing in Penn. Avenue know of him. The City Directory for 1833 contains his name & residence at that place; but he is not named in any succeeding Directory. Whether he is deceased or removed, cannot as yet be ascertained; but I intend to make still further enquiries, & advise you in a future letter.

(The postage of this letter is paid — Philadelphia throughout to Vienna)

Dr. J. G. Schmidt Esq.
M. d. Comm.
Vienna
Oct. 30. 1833.
Per Victoria Steamer

Mint of the United States
Phila Oct 30. 1843.

Sir,

I am compelled to throw myself upon the good offices of the Amer. Legation at Paris, for the safe transfer of two packages, between J. G. Schwarz, U. S. Consul at Vienna, and the Mint U. S. That gentleman has kindly undertaken to procure & forward to the Mint a valuable collection of antique coins, and advises that it be sent to Paris, to your care. Should this be done, will you have the kindness to receive the package, and confide it to Messrs Emerson & Co. Agents of Harnden, at Paris, or any other good opportunity which at the time may happen to present; and will you please to certify me of the receipt and delivery, in such form as will be proper to recover, upon an insurance effected here? The package will weigh about 15 lbs. avoird.

The other parcel is for Mr. Schwarz, which I trust you will receive at the same time with this letter, and which I would thank you to cause to be forwarded. The charges to Paris have been paid here, & those from P. to Vienna are to be pd by Mr. S.; but I beg you to inform me if any expense should be thrown upon you, in either of these transactions.

The value of the packages, especially the one coming this way, and the fact of its being the property of the United States,

from my only apology for giving you this trouble.

I am the Honor to be
your faithful Servt

Hon Henry Ledyard
Chargé d' Affaires &c &c
Paris

Taunton Oct. 26th 1843.

A. M. Patterson Esq

Director Mint.

Dear Sir -

Annexed we hand bill of 5 Tons cast planches for Ech. Empire - amounting to $3,609 60/100 -

We have receipted the bill & we will thank you to send us by the return of the R.R. Empire Express One Thousand dollars cash - & the remainder of the bill to Messrs. A. Stillman, & Everett & Battelle, Newyork, in about equal amounts -

Will you not require for your winter stock another invoice of Same amount -

Yours -

Very Respectfully

Crocker & Brook & Co

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

October 24 1843.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive one Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WM. SELDEN,

Treasurer of the United States.

Isaac Road Esq

Camb / Mass.
Oct. 21 / 43.

Gentlemen,

I have to request that you will send to the Asst five tons of cast planchets, upon the same terms as heretofore.

R. M. P.
Dr

To
Messrs. Crocker, Burr. & Co.,
Taunton, Mass.

Mint U. S.
Oct. 21st 43.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will draw your warrant, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for Two thousand dollars, ($2000,) out of the appropriation, for the current year, to pay for Wages of Workmen.

R. M. P.
Director

To
The Hon.ble John C. Spencer,
Sec. of Treasury.

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer Office, Oct. 19, 1843

Sir, Upon the receipt of your communication of the 17th inst, I sent to the N.Y. Transportation Line and obtained the enclosed duplicate Bill of Lading and receipt for amount paid freight in 37 Kegs Cents to New York charged in my abstract of expenses in the distribution of Copper coins, in the 3d. qr. of 1843. The original Bill of Lading, which, I presume, you will find among the papers sent by me on the 2d. inst, contains a receipt at foot for the amount above referred to. It is customary to have a receipt apart from the Bill of Lading, and I supposed I had done so in this instance.

I remain,
Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt
(Signed) Jno. Rowe
Treasr

Tadd. R. Weir Esq
1st. Auditor of the Treasury
Washington

Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
Oct 17th 1813

Sir

You will please transmit a
voucher for Amount paid freight on
37 Kegs Cents to New York charged
in the Abstract of Expenses on the
distribution of Copper Coins —

With Due Respect
Your Obt Servt
Tully R. Wise

1st Auditor

To
Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer &c
Philadelphia
Penna

Brunswick, Oct. 16, 1843.

Dear Sir,

Although but two weeks have elapsed since I left Philadelphia, I feel as though it had been a much longer time; and this impression is so strong that it keeps me quite uneasy lest I should be thought to be unduly prolonging my visit. Under this feeling, therefore, I write to say that, unless I hear from you by return of mail, I shall leave here on Tuesday, Oct. 24th.

I was disappointed, on my arrival here, to find undone certain things which ought to have been done, in the way of repairs of house &c. These I shall not be able properly to accomplish by the time which I have set for my departure. Nevertheless, I shall not allow myself to think of staying longer, unless I hear from you that I can do so without occasioning inconvenience, or without in the least incurring your dissatisfaction.

I place the matter upon this footing because I am sure that you believe me to be desirous of following duty rather than inclination, & will therefore freely inform me if my return is desirable.

Should there be no objection to my remaining longer, I would make my arrangements for leaving here on Monday, Oct. 30th.

Very respectfully & truly,
Your sincere friend,
Geo. F. Dimmock.

Dr. R. M. Patterson.

Mint Office
Oct. 16 / 43.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst., asking for information respecting the medals struck by order of the American Congress, and making inquiry as to the cost of the series in gold, silver, and copper, respectively.

In reply, I send you, herewith, a list of these medals, of which it is in our power to furnish copies, either from the dies, or, where these are wanting, by the electrotype process.

The manufacture of these medals has never been made, by law, a business of the Mint, nor have the dies been engraved by any of the officers of President Tyler. The hardening of the dies and the striking of these medals have, indeed, in most instances, been done at the Mint by the Chief Coiner, but this has always been considered an extra-official duty labore, and has been paid for accordingly. I have not felt myself authorized to change this system, or to call upon the officers to perform gratuitously duties not required of them by law. Accordingly,

But as it was thought very desirable that copies of the American medals should be multiplied, and as the consent of the Secretaries of the Treasury, of War, and of the Navy, was obtained for this object, our Chief Coiner, Mr. Peale, was requested to undertake the task, at his own cost for material supplying & persons the materials, and performing the labor; — and a moderate tariff of prices was fixed upon, at which the medals might be furnished. Here those prices which are affixed to the list sent to you.

I would take the liberty to recommend that

You will observe that a complete set of these medals, 45 in number, either in copper, either bronzed or gilt, can be furnished for $108.

Thanking the honor to be, Sir,
With great respect,
Your faithful Servant
R. M. Patterson,
Director.

To
Hon^le A. P. Upshur,
Secretary of State.

Memorandum of Medals with prices

Military Series

Electrotype Copies, of those the dies of which remain in Treasury or our cost.

No 1	Washington or Boston		$2.00
2	Gen Wayne	Copper bronzed	2.00
3	Capt Henry		2.00
4	Col Washington		2.00
5	Captors of André		2.00
6	Col Howard		2.00
7	Gen Greene		2.00

Medals struck from the dies in the Mint U S at Philada.

No 1	Genl Gates	Revolutionary	2.00
2	Gen Morgan		2.00
3	Gen Scott		2.50
4	Gen Miller	late war	2.50
5	Gen Gaines		2.50
6	Gen Porter		2.50
7	Gen Brown		2.50
8	Gen Ripley		2.50
9	Gen Macomb		2.50
10	Gen Jackson		2.50
11	Gen Hurley		2.50
12	Gen Harrison		2.50
13	Gen Croghan		2.50

Naval Series

No 1	Capt Deluce	2.50
2	Capt Jones	2.50
3	Capt Decatur	2.50
4	Capt Bainbridge	2.50
5	Capt Perry	2.50

No 6	Cap	Perry with a different wreath		2.50
" 7	Cap	Elliott		2.50
8	Cap	Burrows		2.50
9	Cap	McCall		2.50
10	Cap	Lawrence		2.50
11	Cap	Macdonough		2.50
12	Cap	Healy		2.50
13	Cap	Cassin		2.50
14	Cap	Barrington		2.50
15	Cap	Blakely		2.50
16	Cap	Stewart		2.50
17	Cap	Biddle		2.50
18	Cap	Preble (Electrotypes)		2.00

Presidential Series

No 1	Pres[t]	Jefferson	1st Size	4.00
			2 do	3.00
			3 do	2.00
" 2	"	Madison	1 do	3.00
			2 do	2.50
			3 do	2.00
" 3	"	Monroe	1 do	3.00
			2 do	2.50
			3 do	2.00
4	"	J.Q. Adams	1 do	3.00
			2 do	2.50
			3 do	2.00
5	"	Jackson	1 do	3.00
			2 do	2.50
			3 do	2.00
6	"	Van Buren	1 do	3.00
			2 do	2.50
			3 do	2.00

No 7	Pres[t]	Tyler	1st Size	$ 3.00
			2nd do	2.50
			3rd do	2.00

Recapitulation

Military Series of the Revolution

Electrotype Copper Impressions	7	=	$ 14.00
Medals from dies in the Mint	2	=	4.00
do " " " "			
Gold Bar	11	=	27.50

Naval Series

Commodore Preble (Electrotype)	1	=	2.00
Medals from dies in the Mint	17	=	42.50

Presidential Series

Medals from dies in the Mint

1st Size	=	$ 22.00
2nd Size		18.00
3rd Size		14.00

A Complete Set of Bronze Medals, (the Presidential Series of the Medium Size) with Blanks Cost as above. $ 108.00

Gold Medals of any of the above List 2½ in diam with Cost

Fine Gold Oz 8.	160.00
Work & Advantage &c	10.00
	$ 170.00

Silver Medals of any of the above 2½ in diam with cost each $ 8.00

Legation of the United States
London Temple October 16. 1843.

Dear Sir

I have Time scarce to acknowledge the receipt of your letter in duplicate of the 10th of June last, and am beg leave to thank you for the beautiful medal of Mr. Tyler which I believe reached us days ago for Captain Hoskins of the U. S. Big Brother who brought it down from Liverpool. It is the only medal your Residents that I have ever seen, and it has been much admired for the superiority of workmanship both the foreign? Coin I have shown it. I am sorry I can make you no return for this beautiful present, at least - a suitable one, and with some hesitation take the liberty of sending you two of our Yankee medals which I beg you to accept as a small token of my regard. One is but one three Yankee medals, I am and I regret my inability to send it you, but thanks an example our present for sale Smith's Britannia by Jonathan I for you. It was given at the English in 1814 (Printing the name in the date) for driving the French out of Canada and Europe. I have explained their legend in the papers in which they are enveloped. Equally to your request I have forwarded for you Some Coins and that I have no hesitation

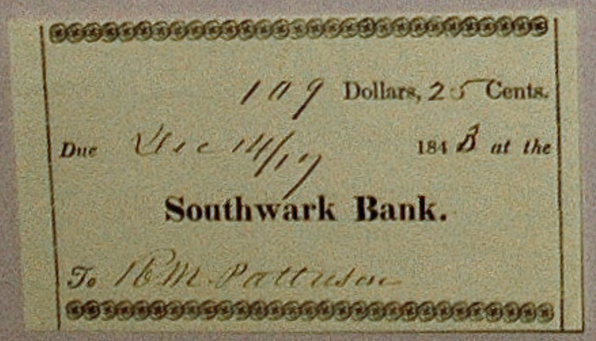
the U. S. Brig Lawrence. Lieut. Upshur has kindly promised to take charge of them and have them safely delivered to you on his arrival at Alexandria. It was so good an opportunity, that I thought it best to send you what I have collected, hoping to find another for the remainder of your commission when filled. I send by Lieutenant Upshur 2 gold, 4 silver, and 67 copper rather brassy coins of the Lower Empire; 4 of the Crusaders (brass); 3 silver of the Seleucidae; 1 silver & 3 brass of the Ptolemies; 2 silver Persian Coins; and 7 gold, 58 silver, and 13 brass Ottoman Coins. Drachms of Alexander are common, casting this double weight in silver, Didrachms are extremely rare, and dear, and Tetradrachms are common casting triple their weight in silver (also silver). I send you a drachm for which I paid about 30 cts. I put in the collection of coins of the Lower Empire all those easily found, and some quite rare - particularly among the Latin reigns. Those brassy coins being higher priced than those you, Lawrence saw; silver coins of the Lower Empire are very rare, gold are too dear, so I have been compelled to procure such good brassy pieces as were attainable. I hope in time to procure you others to fill up the vacancies. I will only further add that I have classified them according to Mionnet & Sauley. I send a list of the whole in the box with the coins.

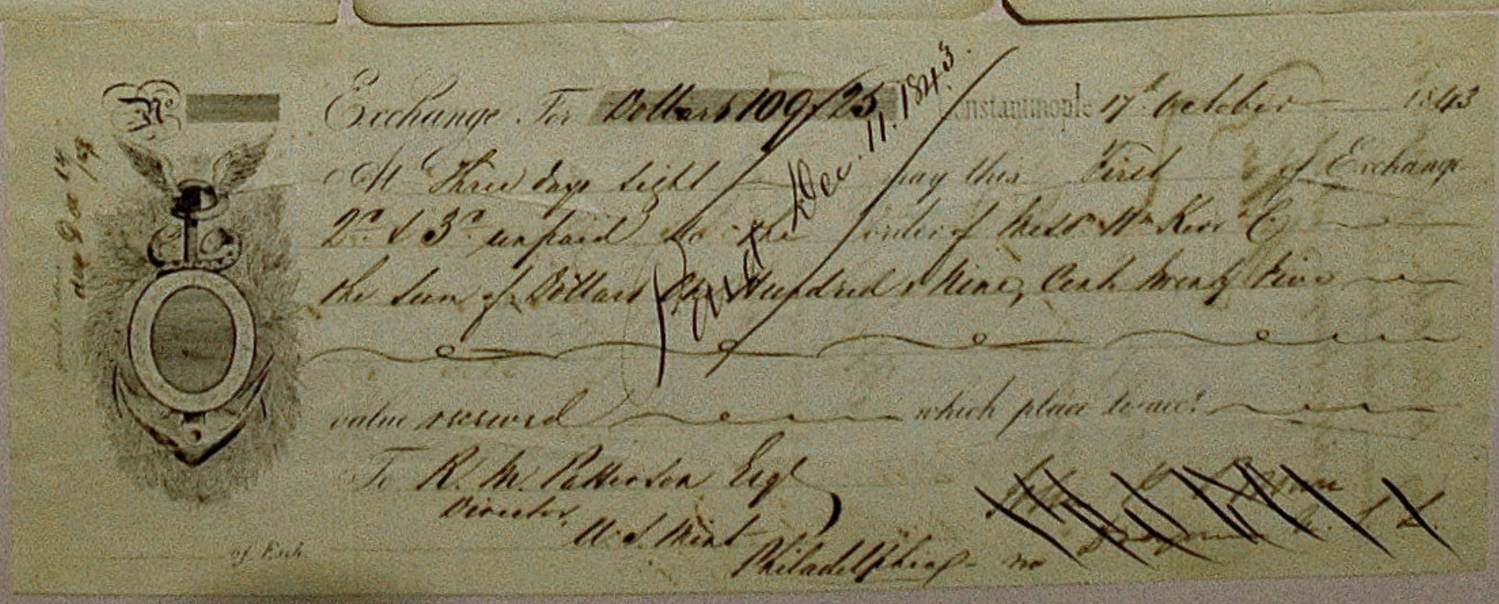
I have paid for these coins $103.40 and as it is very difficult to draw a Bill of Exchange (I just shall be impossible) on the U. S. from this place I will ask a merchant to arrange it for me, charging his expenses to the Bill.

I fear you will find the coins dear, on account of so many of them being brassy; but some brassy coins are as dear if not dearer than silver, according to their antiquity (rarity) and I have not gone beyond the limits of your instructions. Thanks you desire me to forward the series of the Lower Empire, please let me know. I can collect coins here cheaper, 1, 2, & 3 at a time, but in this case I have bought in haste. It is an advantage to me to collect for others, as I then frequently meet with duplicates for my own collection.

I am fearful that it will be difficult to obtain the Calipha coins you ask. Although I have seen a few coins there are not among them those you wish. I have written to Syria, Mosul & Bagdad for them, and in good time will let you know the result. None of the coins I send are counterfeits - all genuine.

Besides M. Borelli of Smyrna who is too well known to the Numismatic world for me to say more of him, there is a M. Cadalvene (French) here, who purchases largely for coins for the different Cabinets of Europe. They have their Agents in the Interior, also buy up an





made a bateau like one from the Big Bar villages.
Last Spring (1842) I found Remains of good Coin.
between Bois d'Sang river & Red River, and
a Town in N. Mx. would be our Most Natural, but
we found reasons for buying Coin cheap.
Happy at all times to hear from you &
your doings, I remain, dear Sir,
Yours most truly,
Your faithful Servant.

Wm. H. Brown

Gen. Wm. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia. Pa.

P.S. I am this day drawn on You for $109.60.
for additional Coin Amounts of Specimens &c. sent.
of Bois Rouge &c. of this City, on
Account of
Thos. Fitzpatrick
Chas. Bent
Wm. Sublette
Thos. Fitzpatrick
Shannon
U.S. Agent
Council Bluffs.

Memorandum of W.E. DuBois
on margin of Letter Book
q.v.

H. M. Patterson Esq

District Attorney

Detroit

Please send to me by

3

of cash (ordinary Sight) to the Bk. Geneva

Geneva N.Y. & send me the bill & we

will pay it —

Yrs, Respectfully

Chamberlin & Wheeler

Detroit Oct. 12 1843

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
October 5th 1843

Sir

Your Bullion, Coinage and ordinary expenses a/cs
for the 3 quarter 1843 have been received

Very respectfully
Your obd Serv
Tully R. Wise

Isaac Reach
Treasurer of the Mint
Phila

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office Oct. 2d 1843.

Sir,

I herewith forward you the quarterly account of the operations of the Mint for the quarter ending the 30th day of September 1843, which I hope you will find to be correct.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.
(Signed) Jane Reed,
Treasurer

To
Peter R. Wise, Esq
1st. Auditor of the Treasury
Washington

(Copy)

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office,
Philadelphia October 1 1843.

Sir,

I forward you herewith, the quarterly accounts of the Ordinary receipts and expenditures of the Mint, for the third Quarter of the present year, which I hope you will find to be correct.

Very respectfully,

Your Most Obed Sert.

(Signed) D. Ronaldson

Treasurer

To

Tully R. Morse Esquire
First Auditor of the Treasury.

Philadelphia,
Nov. 28, 1843.

Dear Sir,

Commodore Elliott wishes to have a medal struck to commemorate his gratitude for a service rendered to him. It is to bear on the obverse a head — the likeness of the friend for whom the medal is to be made — with a few words round the margin. On the reverse there is to be nothing more than a legend. — The diameter to be about two inches.

He has applied at the Mint to have this work executed; but it is not in our power now to undertake it.

When I had the pleasure of seeing you here, you spoke of an artist in New York, who made dies in good style, and at a very moderate cost. Will you do me the favor of letting me know whether his services can be secured for the work desired by Commodore Elliott, and at what cost. The commodore informs me that he has been told the work could be done for $100; and I think you spoke, when at the Mint, of some such low charge as this.

Very respectfully
Your ob. servt.

R. Patterson

To Prof. Wyatt,
New York.

R. M. Patterson Esqr

Director of the U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Legation of the U. States,

Paris, 27th Nov 1813.

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 20th ulto.

It will give me great pleasure to take charge of and forward the packages you allude to in such manner as you may direct, and if I can be useful to you here

in any other way I beg you to command my services.

I have not received the parcel for M. Schwarz, which you supposed would reach me at the same time with your letter.

I have the honor to be,

very respectfully,

your obedient servant,

Henry Ledyard

To R. M. Patterson Esq.r Director of the Mint &c. in Philadelphia

Dear Sir!

Vienna Novemb.r 25.th 843.

Your esteemed favor of the 30.th October came to hand and I hasten to reply without delay and consequently hope you will receive it by the Steamer of the 5.th Decbr.

It affords me pleasure to inform you that my friend recommended to you [illegible] for the Collection of Roman and Greek Coins, and I am also promised to have the four Works of which you have the List and which you will find indispensible (let me have a Copy of the List:) My friend refuses to warrant the delivery of the Coins in Paris, I therefore suggest the best way will be to forward them by a Courier to Paris and for that purpose I would have you entreat our Minister Mr. Jenifer to undertake the forwarding the Coins Exp[illegible] I proposed me to request you to write to the Hon.ble Gentleman (inclose the Letter to me:)

I have not as yet received the Medal of Tyler.

By the Steamer of the 19.th Decbr. I will write you full particulars meanwhile I remain

Yours

NB. Have the goodness to forward the inclosed Letter.

most respectfully

J. Schwartz

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

22 Nov 1813.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive One Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WM. SELDEN,

Treasurer of the United States.

Isaac Roach Esqr

Mail Clerk — Nov. 20/43.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will issue your warrant, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mail, for Two Thousand Dollars ($2000) out of the appropriations of the present year, for paying the wages of Postmasters.

P. M. P.

To
Hon. John C. Spencer,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office
November 16th 1843.

Sir,

Your accounts of Bullion purchased for Coinage, for the 1st and 2d quarters of 1843, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 732.749.22 stated as remaining in the hands of the

Chief Coiner	Gold Bullion.	Oz. 10.869.216	$ 202.217.96
Melter & Refiner	do	5.157.642	96.514.25
do	Silver Bullion	36.157.714	63.381.98
Chief Coiner	do	109335.098	127.249.57
Treasurer,	Gold Coinage		190.711.57
do	Silver Coinage		50.673.89
			$ 732.749.22

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Sert.
J. M. Clarke
Comptroller

Isaac Roach Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia.

Treasury Department
Nov. 14. 1843.

Sir—

I transmit herewith a package stated to contain 211 half Eagles received from the Branch Mint being the eighth remittance from that Branch for the annual assay.

I am very Resp.y.
J. C. Spencer
Sec. of the Treasury.

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philada.

Boston Novr 13th 1843.

R. M. Patterson
Dirt of the U. States
Washington

Sir, Your favor of 9th is duly at hand (and contents noted.

We will notify our Agents at Paris respecting your Package, (and on its arrival, shall receive our particular attention

Very respectfully Yr Ob't Servants
Hamden and Co
By J. T. Kimball



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No. 3 Court Street, Boston.

Mint of the United States,
Philada November 9. 1843.

Dear Sir,

I am compelled already to take advantage of your kind offer of your services which you were so kind as to tender to me,

I am informed that there are to be obtained in Italy, small casts in sulphur or plaster, of the heads of the Roman Emperors, and other great characters of the imperial days.

My informant states that there are very beautiful specimens of such, in sulphur, and of high relief, at the Naval Lyceum in Brooklyn. The size of the casts is generally not above two or three inches in the largest diameter. I find that such a series could be effectively disposed in our Cabinet of Coins; and would therefore beg to know from you, whether they can be obtained, at Rome; what would be the average price, in sulphur, and in plaster; and by what method I could import them.

Upon answer to these inquiries I will gratefully act.

I am very respectfully,
Your faithful Servant,
R. M. Patterson.

George W. Greene, Esq.
U. S. Consul &c &c

Mint of the United States,
Philada. November 9. 1843.

Messrs Harnden & Co.

Gentlemen,

I am expecting from Vienna a valuable package of antique coins, (weighing probably 15 lbs avoid.) ~~which~~ through the agency of your line of transportation. The package is first to be sent to Mr. Ledyard, our Minister at Paris, who has been requested to entrust it to Messrs Emerson & Co., your agents at that place. In a favorable case, it may reach Paris by the middle of December, and possibly in time for the Liverpool Steamer of the 19th of that month. I will thank you to instruct Messrs Emerson to take special care of the parcel, and forward it by the first & best opportunity, sending me a bill of lading from Paris, and also from the port where shipped.

Respectfully yours &c

R. M. P.

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
November 2d 1843.

Sir,

I would respectfully ask of you an explanation of the enclosed Bill of Elizabeth Tyler, for the use of a patent Machine for counting small coins; and enquire whether, if such a machine be necessary, the purchase of one would not be desirable in an economical point of view?

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.

W. M. Gouldsborough
Comptroller.

Dr: R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia —

New England Commercial Bank
Liverpool October 31. 1843

To the Director of the
Mint of the United States
Philadelphia

Sir/

I shall forward tomorrow by Harnden's express a box of Specie containing 468 foreign doubloons and 200 five franc pieces to be assayed and coined for the this institution and the proceeds say $300 in half dimes and the balance in dimes to be forwarded to us by Harnden express to the care of Merchants Bank Providence.

Be pleased on its reception to advise me of the time the change will be made.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Geo. F. Weaverback.

A. M. Pattison Esq.

Sir

The weather being disagreeable this morning, I shall not come to the Mint. Enclosed I send the key of my drawer, in which you will find two half dollar tail dies – which, if intended for our Mint, are finished – one pair half eagle dies, and one pair turned half dollar dies, not finished.

Having brought home with me yesterday the date punches, I am fully prepared to finish the last named dies, if they are wanted

Yours, respectfully

Christian Gobrecht

Philad.a Nov. 10th 1843.

U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Decem: 30. 1843.

Dear Sir,

You may recollect that on the occasion of your visit to the Mint in February last, you left a small parcel of ancient ~~and Oriental~~ coins for our inspection, and ~~gave some information~~ intimated that perhaps they might be spared, wholly or in part, for the Mint Cabinet. Our assayer finds that most of them are desirable for that purpose, and wish me to negotiate the matter with you. The pieces they ask for, are 29 in number, ~~consisting~~ chiefly ~~of~~ Parthian and Persian, ~~mostly~~ of the Arsacian and Sassanian dynasties, with a few Greek and Roman, of less rarity. ~~As they are intended for a public collection, it is hoped they~~ In a public & extensive collection, they will form an interesting & necessary part; by themselves, they will be incomplete, & comparatively useless. We hope therefore that you, (or your son, if he is the owner) will accept in lieu of them the accompanying casket, one of which contains a ~~complete~~ set of ~~gold, silver, & copper~~ coins of the U. S. for 1843, and the other a selection of European ~~silver~~ coins. - The pieces not desired, are returned. - Please to inform me whether this exchange will be acceded to.

Yours Dear Sir
very faithful Servt

Prof. John Torrey
N. Y.

Treasury Department
December 28th 1843

Sir.

In reply to your letter of the 27th inst. I have to remark that a Warrant duly issued on the 21st inst in favor of Wm. Rauch the Treasurer of the Mint for 16.300 Dolls. the amount requested in your letter of the 20th inst. The delay in making the remittance has been caused by the preparation of Treasury Notes in which the sum of $5000 had been directed to be paid.

I have however to day deemed it advisable to change the arrangement, directing that the sum of $7000 should be remitted on account as follows.

Salaries of Officers	4.800
Wages of Workmen	2.000
Incidental & Contingent Expenses Postage &c. &c.	200

I in explanation add, that in the present state of the Treasury, I think the settlement of the Postage account to which you refer in your letter of the 27th inst. had better for a while be postponed.

I learn from the Treasurer's office, that it is expected that the above remittance of $7000 will be made this day.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Very Respectfully Sir
Your Obt. Servt
J. C. Spencer
Secretary of the Treasury

Mint of the United States.
Dec. 22nd. 1843.

Sir.

I had the honor to write to you, on the 20th inst, to request your Warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint for $16.300. This amount was made up of $9,500 for incidental and contingent expenses, and a great part of it is required for settling the Wastage account at the close of the present year. The remainder, viz. $6,800, is for Salaries and Wages which are payable on Saturday next.

As the remittance asked for has not been received, and any further delay would interfere with our accustomed punctuality in making payments, I have taken the liberty of calling your attention to the subject.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servant
(Signed) R. M. Patterson,
Director.

To,
Hon. Duo C. Spence
Secretary of the Treasury.

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

26 Nov 1843.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive One Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WM. SELDEN,

Treasurer of the United States.

Isaac Roach Esq.

Treasury of the United States,

December 26 1843.

Sir:

Enclosed you will receive One hundred Treasury Notes of Five hundred— made payable to your order, amounting to $16.300—; also a receipt in detail, therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail, the same being necessary as a voucher for the payment of the Warrant upon which they were issued.

I am instructed by the Secretary of the Treasury to state, "that such notes are only to be paid out to the public creditors, except that when they decline receiving them, then, and then only, may they be exchanged for other funds."

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM SELDEN,

Treasurer of the United States.

Isaac Roach Esq—

New York 12 mo 21. 1843

Lieutenant M. F. Maury

Washington City

By Mercury of Croton

Rec'd on board 1 Bbl Jar #46

Casks, Blankets &c from Schr

St. Louis which could not

proceed in consequence of Casks

Respectfully

Thos J Tarn Watts

Mint of the U. S.
Dec. 20. 1843.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will issue your warrant, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for Sixteen Thousand ~~Dollars~~ three hundred dollars: viz:

Out of the appropriations for 1842, being the balances undrawn:

For Coinage Expenses,	$7,200
" Mint Expenses,	2,000
" Office Expenses,	300
	9,500

Out of the appropriations for the current fiscal year, 1843-4,

For Salaries of Officers & Clerks,	$4,800.
Wages of Workmen,	2,000.
	6,800
Total,	$16,300

Very respy,

R. M. P.

Dft

Hon. Thos. C. Spencer,
Sec. of Treasury.

Mint of the United States
December 19. 1843 –

Sir,

Mr. Callan presented at the Mint, this morning, the draft of the Treasurer of the United States, in favor of your Bank, and your letter to the Treasurer of the Mint.

I had received, on the 15th, a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, giving me notice of this draft; and I informed him, by return of Mail, that we had not, at that time, a sufficient amount of the U.S. dollars, in form of coins, to pay it on its presentation. Now, however, we have enough coins for the purpose of making legal payment of the draft, and I made a tender of the amount to your Messenger. But as a large part of the payment must have been made in dimes, and half-dimes, and your instruction as to the kind of payment could not have been complied with, Mr. Callan declined the payment as offered; and I have no doubt that you will approve of his course.

He now takes with him, accordingly as –

Half Eagles	$ 10,000
Half dollars	28,500
Quarter dollars	1.000
Half dimes	.500
	40.000
and a draft for the balance	60.000
Corresponding to the amount of the draft –	100.000 dollars.

You shall be advised as to the time when the balance can be paid; but I have now to inform you that you cannot expect it in Gold.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servant –
R. M. Patterson, Director

To
Nicholas Smith Esq
Cashier

Copy

Mint of the U. S.
Dec. 16. 1843.

Gentlemen,

I beg to call your attention to the fact that the Blanchets of your last invoice of Copper were too heavy, the number of pieces having proved to be 2,966 less than was called for by the weights, - & thus giving rise to a loss of nearly One per cent. on the cost.

We will take the invoice announced in your letter of the 9th inst. It has not yet, however, come to hand. Please to let us know how it is to be paid for, and to send the actual receipt. Our accounts will not permit us to make the payment till next year.

Very respy, Yours &c.
R. M. Patterson,
Director.

To/
Messrs. Crocker, Brot. & Co.
Taunton, Mass.

Boston Decr 16. 1843

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

Your favor of 8 Decr has been received, & your order for crucible covers has been handed to the Proprietor of the works, who informs us that the covers can not be ready for packing under a month & perhaps it will be longer as the manufacture of this ware is interrupted by excessively cold weather. As soon as possible, they will be shipped to Gov. J. P. Chambers. as directed —

We are the agents for selling the Trion crucibles & borders, & addressed to us will receive prompt attention.

Very Faithfully Y.O.S.

J. Winslow Robbins

Mint of the United States
Dec. 15, 1843.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th inst., announcing a draft on the United States deposite at the Mint, for $100,000.

In consequence of this communication, I have made inquiry into the state of our bullion accounts bearing upon the case, and the following are the results.

There is to the credit of the U. S. bullion account

Compound of deposites of silver of $200,056.78 $ 304,960.94
" gold 104,904.16

There is, on hand, of gold coin $ 71,445.17
Of which is due to individual depositors, 57,874.66
Balance 13,570.51

There is on hand, of silver coin, 44,358.91
Of which is due to depositors 9,120.07
Balance, 35,248.84

So that the Treasurer of the Mint has, at present, for the payment of the draft which has been announced, — 48,819.35

But the whole silver balance, viz. 35,248.84 is in small coins, (quarters, dimes, and half-dimes,) and therefore, (specimens not available for the object in question.

~~The balance of the U.S. deposite~~

The balance of the U.S. deposite, viz. — — $256,141.57
is in the hands of the Mint and Assays, and of the
Coins, in the various forms assumed by bullion
during its passage through the functions of the
Mint. ~~and is~~ Of this amount, the Mint & Assays
has about $50,000 in gold ingots, and the Chief
Coins about $75,000 nearly ready to be delivered
in half dollars. These will soon be the amounts
will be available in a short time: all the rest is
in forms which will necessarily give rise to delay. Indeed there
is about $11,000 actually lost by wastage, and
which is to be supplied ~~by~~ from the ~~appropriations~~ currency
appropriated for contingent expenses.

The above statements show that the draft
of which you have given notice cannot be paid
by the Mint without some time being allowed;
~~it is~~ and that it cannot be paid in gold, without
great ~~but~~ delay, ~~and~~ without exhausting our
gold deposite, and putting an end to the system
of prompt payments in regard to this metal. —
Our whole U.S. deposite of gold is less than
$105,000; and yet with this ~~inadequate~~ small capital
we have been obliged to ~~manage~~ conduct
a business of gold deposites already exceeding,
in the present year, four millions of dollars.
In a letter which I had the honor to address to
you on the 20th of March last, I explained the
inconveniences which arose from the smallness
of our gold building fund at that time, viz. $54,900;
and you very liberally gave us drafts on
New York, for $100,000, with a view to en-
able it. We fortunately only $50,000 of this
could be procured in gold; so that, during
the year, we have frequently found our de-
posite inadequate to the functions which it
had to perform.

R. M. P.

To Hon. John C. Spencer,
Secretary of the Treasury

1913.
December 15. United States Bullion Account.

To the credit of this a/c. $ 304,960.94

On hand after paying deposits.

In Gold Coin. $ 13,570.50

" Silver Coin. 35,248.85 total all kinds of coin

Gold Bullion abt 17,000
Silver Bullion abt 219,000 " Bullion 256,140.59 304,960.94

On hand.

Gold Coin $ 71,445.17
Silver Coin. 44,368.91 115,814.08
In Bullion (Bars & Clippings) $ 189,146.86

Due depositors.

In Gold. Nov. 8. D. H. Bragg. $ 2.279.27
Dec 14. Paschall B&C. 556.63
" " Thos. Fleming 3,332.76
" 8. W. C. LaBoir.
1,345.45 " 15. Paschall B&Co. } abt 51,706.—
41.32 " " Beebe & P. }
1,345.38 " " Paschall B&C. }
2,732.15

Gold.
On hand $ 71,445.17
Amt dep'ts 57,874.66
13,570.51

2,732.15
27,321
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In Silver.

Dec. 6 Chas. C. Mackey $ 279.77
" 13. P B & Co. — 3,420.63
" " Do — 653.44
" 14. Robt. Johnston. 323.14
" 12. F. A. Palmer. 302.87
87.30 " 15. Do — } abt
3,470.20 " " Paschall B & Co } 4,140.—
357.50
23
257
4773

Silver.
On hand $ 44,368.91
Amt dep'ts 9,120.07
35,248.84

Phila 4 Dec 1843

Dear Sir.

Will you favor me by the 25th inst with such a statistical account of the present condition of the United States Mint, and of its operations for the present year, as may not be improper for publication, consistent with the public interest — My design is to publish it with the statistics of other public Institutions in the Public Ledger at the close of the year.

Your favor through the Post Office, or left at the Office of the Public Ledger will be duly received and appreciated by

Your Friend & Fellow Citizen

Joseph Wood

Isaac Roach Esq

Treasury of the U. S.
14th Dec.r 1843

Sir

I have this day issued one transfer Draft on you. Viz:
№ 73. in favor of the Bank of the Metropolis for $100.000.
(One Hundred Thousand Dollars) payable on demand.

I am respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
W Selden
Treasurer U. S.

To the Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia

Treasury Department
Decr. 13. 1843.

Sir.

It has been found necessary to draw on the Mint for $100.000 – to be paid out of the amount deposited with that institution for the prompt payment of depositors of bullion for coinage. The Treasurer has therefore been this day instructed to issue his draft for that sum on the Mint in favor of the Bank of the Metropolis in this City. It is to be hoped that you will be able to pay this draft without inconvenience and in gold should it be desired by the Bank

I am very Resp^y.

J. C. Spencer
Sec^y of the Treasury.

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Legation of the United States

Paris, 13th Dec. 1813

Sir,

I have just received the package for Mr. Schwartz alluded to in your letter of the 30th October and will lose no time in forwarding it to its destination.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient Servt.

Henry Leavitt

R. M. Patterson Esq.

Director of U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia.

Taunton Dec 9. 1843.

R.M. Patterson Esq.
Director U.S. Mint.
Dear Sir -

Above we hand Bill of 46 Kegs planchets shipped by Sch. H. Ames. We had an opportunity of making this shipment & it being the last vessel for the season - & supposing you would require this quantity for the winter, we took the risk of sending them - Should you not be inclined to receive them they will remain subject

To our address —

William:

Your Obt. Servts

Crocker & Bro.

State of Pennsylvania City of Philadelphia
Sct. Be it remembered that on the 29th day of
December 1843 I Alderman to Commissioner
John D. Cramer in Baltimore, Solicitor
for Baltimore, belonging to the Court of Joseph F. Reeves
of the City of Baltimore, made a request
from Isaac Joseph F. Reeves to the
said Samuel that he would take deposition
said Baltimore at the United States
Court in Philadelphia, and the same
time requesting him said Samuel to
serve on a Subpoena of Deposition for
said Baltimore — and the Baltimore
Summons in the Subpoena of Deposition
Record, in the presence of Joseph F. Reeves
of Baltimore the Initials of the Com. &
having been omitted by said Samuel —
Witness my hand this 8 December 1843
John A Griffin

State of Pennsylvania City of Baltimore
Be it Remembered that on this 8th day of
December 1843 before me the Subscriber a
Notary of the City aforesaid duly commissioned
& sworn Joseph F. Reeves of Baltimore
aforesaid Solicitor of Deposition
Oath that the several facts set forth
are contained in his Subpoena
Request by him are respectively true

there as they therein stand stated.

Sworn & subscribed to before
me the day & year first
before written Wm Schaeffer

I Hereby Certify that John A. Griffin
the deponent within named, I have
known for a length of time, and
he is entitled to full faith and credit
Dec 8th 1843 Wm Schaeffer Justice of the
Peace in and
for Baltimore City

I Hereby Certify that my Husband John
D. Daniels sent me a letter from
Philadelphia a Certificate of Deposit
of Silver Bullion in the name of Joseph
Reeves which I have been told Joseph
F. Reeves, as endorsed by him and
that the said Joseph F. Reeves is
the Bona fide owner of said Bullion
mentioned in the Certificate to Joseph
Reeves he being the identical person
the letter F. in his middle name having
been omitted. Witness my hand this 8th
December 1843

Eugenia Daniels

State of Pennsylvania City of Baltimore to
Wit Be it Remembered that on this 8th December
1843 before the Subscriber a Justice of the
Peace for said City personally appeared
Daniel Steuart Commodore John
D. Daniels and made Oath that the several
facts set forth are contained in the Certificate
are respectively true as they therein stand stated

Sworn & Subscribed to before me
on the day & year first before
written Wm Schaeffer

State of Pennsylvania City of Baltimore to
Wit On this 8th December 1843 before me the Subscriber
a Justice of the Peace for said City personally appeared
Joseph F. Reeves of the City of Baltimore and made
Oath that he is the identical person and
Bona fide Owner of the Silver Bullion
mentioned in a Certificate of Deposit dated
1st Dec 1843 No 500 for 142 20/100 Dollars
weighing 148 20/100 ounces, which said Certificate
is endorsed by him Joseph F. Reeves the
letter F. in his middle name having been
omitted in the body of said Certificate

Sworn & Subscribed
to before me this day
& year first before written Wm Schaeffer

Joseph F Reeves

State of Maryland } I hereby certify that William A. Schaeffer Esquire before whom
Baltimore County So } the within deposition were made and who hath subscribed his
name to the same was at the time of so doing a Justice of the Peace of the State of
Maryland in and for the City of Baltimore duly commissioned and sworn

In Testimony whereof I hereto set my hand and affix the
Seal of Baltimore County Court on this 8th day of December
1843

Thos Kell Clerk

MARYLAND, Sct.

I, Stevenson Archer Chief Judge of the Sixth Judicial
District of the STATE OF MARYLAND, and Chief Judge of Baltimore County Court, DO CERTIFY, that
the foregoing attestation of Thomas Kell Clerk of the said Court, is in due form
and by the proper officer

Given under my hand, at the City of BALTIMORE, 8th day of December
1843

Stevenson Archer

Com. for Wm. F. Cairns
Baltimore
Dec. 8. 1843
Rec'd " 14.

Saml Ronsell Esq. Cash.

Dr Sir

The Silver for which the Mint Certificate was issued, returned by you belonged to Joseph F. Reeves .. Capt Jas. L. Daniels who deposited the Silver for Mr Reeves did not know there was an F in Mr Reeves's name. There is no such person as Joseph Reeves that I know of.

I know the Silver belongs to Jos. F. Reeves, who is well known to me, and is a Director of this Bank. and has frequently sent Silver to the Mint, being a Silver Smith & Jeweller. Mr Reeves will send the certificate to some friend in Philadr and I engage to guaranty the Mint from loss if the proceeds of Silver is paid to Jos. F. Reeves

Mariners Bank, Baltimore Dec. 8. 1843

J. Birr
Cash.

To Robert M.ᶜ Patterson Esq.ʳ M. D. Director of the Mint
of the U. S. &c. in Philadelphia

Vienna Decbr. 8th 1843.

Dear Sir

On the 26th Novr I replied to your esteemed Letter of
30th Octr and now send you further details as promised
My Friend agrees to let you have the Collection of Greek
and roman Coins for £207 and I have obtained the four
Works included in the said sum, which Works are I
consider indispensable but in case you should have the like
I will retain them on furnishing you for there Value with
Coins another time
The Coins will be all precisely labelled besides which you
will receive the original Catalogue, but the Seller will
not take on himself any responsibility as to the
Transport but requires it all settled on Delivery of the Coins.
I am of Opinion it would be well to pack Coins in double
Cases and if possible to be forwarded through the medium
of our Minister Mr. Jenifer by a french Courier to
Paris or if you prefer by our Post Carriage which tho'
expensive affords an Insurance according to the
declared Value also please to give your further Instruction
to our Chargé M.ʳ Ledyard Paris.
Neither the Package with the Medals of Madison
Jackson &c. you advise me of having send me by the
Steamer from Boston, nor that former of Tyler are
come to hand. Pray tell me were they addressed to me
and to what House v.ia Liverpool or Havre?
I thank you for the 2½ $ Piece of Reid's and

entreat you to keep a watchful eye on all the North American Silver and copper Coins. I shall feel proud if I can realise a Complete Collection. I thank you and even my deceased frind John Vaughan for the Diploma for Dr Endlicher who deserves to be a Member of the most distinguished Society and will prove himself an Ornament thereof.

As to the Becker' Coins you will receive 2 small stitch Books relative thereto with the other Books. Cancellor Becker had these rare roman Coins precisely imitated for the use and pleasure of Collectors — but it must be admitted that malpractices have taken place in the second hand and particularly in the beginning.

My friend even hopes that when you have received the little Box of Coins which during 20 years he collected with diligence Trouble and Knowledge that you will be so satisfied and induced to recompense him with a Present of a Case with 1000 Cigars for his Integrity and disinterestedness as he does not part very readily therewith and to my knowledge he had another Buyer but considered himself bound to me. As to your Inquiry of the Value of the Cabinet of Coins in Europe I beg you to give me a little time longer in order to approach the nearest probability in this Question —

In regard to the Packets for Councellor Hammer I confess altho' I have the honor to be his friend I dont like to continue such great Expences, therefore I hope you will be able to persuade some Captain bound to Trieste to take it free either from Newyork or Philadelphia and address the Package to me under the care of my Commissioner Mr Jacob Fehr, I will take care to deliver the same free to Baron Hammer. by way of Hambro the Expences come much higher

I entreat you to make my best Respects to Messrs Eckfeldt and Du Bois and be assured I subscribe with high Esteem as

Your devoted

J. G. Schwarz

[redacted]

NB. I wish to know for the Emperor's private Library whether any more Numbers of « Kenney's history of the indian tribes, Philadelphia by Grunow have appeared since that of № II. and what they cost? — I entreat you not to forget imparting this Information. S.

76 Albany Street N York

Oct. 4.th 1843

Dear Sir

On my return to this City this morning I received your letter. I called on Mr Sarony Lithographer 153 Broadway the Artist of whom I spoke and communicated the contents of your letter he says he will do it in his best style for that sum and I flatter myself that you will be pleased, I have seen some of his work very beautifully executed.

He says if a good Daguerreotype portrait the size of the Medal could be taken it would much facilitate his work and enable him to execute with great exactness. I shall remain in New York till 1.st Jany. and any thing I can do to further your views will give me pleasure, or if you prefer to correspond with Mr Sarony you have his address as above

I am Sir

Yours very respectfully

Thomas Ward

Mint of the United States.
Dec. 4, 1843.

Sir,

~~In answer to your letter of the 2d inst.~~

~~I have to state~~

Your letter of the 2d inst., to the Secretary of the Mint, has been placed in my hands, and I proceed to answer your inquiries.

The rule of the Mint, established with the concurrence of the Secretary of the Treasury, is that silver shall not be admitted from gold, (or gold from silver,) for the benefit of the depositor, nor value of the fineness, metal, after deducting the established mint charges, do not amount to at least five dollars.

The assay of the gold bullion deposited by you resulted as follows:

Gold	.690	= 75.478 Mint cts.	
Silver	.146	= 15.95 "	= $ 18.56
Base metals	.164		
Charges for parting and alloy			14.35
Balance			$ 4.21.

You see therefore that, under the established regulations of the Mint ~~the bullion entrusted to your disposition~~ no allowance could be made to you for the value of your deposite.

J. R. Snowden
D

F/ V. Bishop, Esq.
Scotch

The gold bullion of V. Bishop contains

	Ozs.		Stand^{d} ozs.		
Gold	690	=	75.478		
Silver	146	=	15.95	=	$ 18.56
Base metal	164				14.35
	1000				

Charges for parting Valley ——

Leaves $ 4.21

98.45
.12
11.8140

Less than five dollars, the limit of the Mint

New York December 2nd 1843.

Sir,

I received this morning the memorandum and the proceeds of a Deposit made on the 25th, amounting at $1403.26:

This is the nett value of the gold contained in the two bars deposited; but the silver that was contained in them although you did not account for, although its value did not amount to less than twelve Dollars.

In making the deposit, I was told by Mr E. Sprague that the silver must be paid if amounting over five dollars, I suppose therefore that it is by mistake you did not account for it, as I have no doubt of the amount of silver these bars contained, by assays previously made.

Please inform me whether your assay has not agreed with mine, or whether it is by mistake that the return of the silver contained was not put on the memorandum, and whether you are willing to honour my draft for the value of said silver. I remain,

Your most obedt Servt

C Bishop & Co

To the treasurer of the U. S. Mint, at Philadelphia

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